

owl

1954



Good luck  
 To a good player  
 Pongy Sheldon  
 Good luck Leslie  
 Janet Hoffman

Good luck  
 all through  
 your last  
 year in high school  
 Gandy Swallow

To a good ping pong player  
 Frank Vogel

Good luck  
 Jimmy

Leslie,  
 Let's not forget  
 the days of solid  
 geometry. I don't  
 think Mr. Bay will!  
 Your buddy,  
 R. Cringo

Good luck  
 you nice kid  
 Best of luck  
 next year  
 But

I guess I won't see  
 you around Phipps  
 much more.  
 Be good, Les.  
 As ever,  
 John Skemon

To Jimmy, missin'  
 20 forgettin'  
 Les Parker

Best of luck  
 to a team  
 of 1 team

Best of luck  
 Jimmy

Best of luck  
 to a team  
 of 1 team  
 at the table  
 Tennis



Best Wishes  
M. M. Marsh  
Ping Pong Balls to you!  
J. Black

The one  
 had from and old  
 has Chemistry seen  
 a top one. P.V. still  
 pretty good - P.S. know any!  
 Louis "Clear fork!"  
 Ha  
 O buck

Good luck  
 to a good bid!  
 Bill Walden

a pretty good <sup>1.54</sup> " " " "  
 Luck  
 7 year  
 Les.  
 Harder  
 Best of Luck Wilson  
 Linda Dale  
 (7B)  
 Good luck to  
 a swell guy  
 Dixie "86"  
 Owens.  
 Take it easy  
 on the kids next  
 year in Ring Song

Take it easy  
on the kids next  
year in Bing Long  
Your old  
competitor

Lahmeyer Carl  
"21-13"

Best of luck  
next year. Don't  
tell anything you know.  
You can't trust most people.  
Marian Meredith

Good luck  
you in  
love

know.  
most people.  
marion meredith

Good luck to  
you in your L.F.  
future years.  
Barbara  
Marvin

Good Hunt  
Hunt  
Hunt

Good Luck  
Zest Always  
Judy Johnson 561  
Duck  
Barbara

Good Luck to good Baymate. Best of luck  
a swell classmate. in is "Dove"  
Tom Healed But of M  
Larry R. T  
Butch.

Healed But of Wishes  
Larry R. Hoffman  
Butch.

Best of Luck to  
a great friend.  
as all friends

To the very best. "Dog" Host



Good Luck to  
a Great Chemist.  
Frank Workman

Good Luck  
and Prosperity  
to the  
Bright Chemist  
Pat Brown  
(55)

To "A. Einstein Dr."  
Robert Metcalf

Best of Luck in the  
future,  
Carol Tiger

Good Luck to  
a sweet boy -  
Kent

Good Luck  
to a sweet  
kid.

To my sweetly Tal  
and a dear friend -  
Fred Peters

Frances  
W. Miller  
(56)

Best of Luck  
to a girl in  
trouble -  
Bill Wells

Best of Luck  
Bill Wells

Best of Luck  
to a student "A!!!"  
Student  
John Corder

# **THE OWL**

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**THE SENIOR CLASS**

of

**MOORE HIGH SCHOOL**

**Farmer City, Illinois**

**1954**







**WHO  
ME?**

*you mean little old me, insignificant farmer that i am? why, you must be pulling my leg. you can't be serious.*

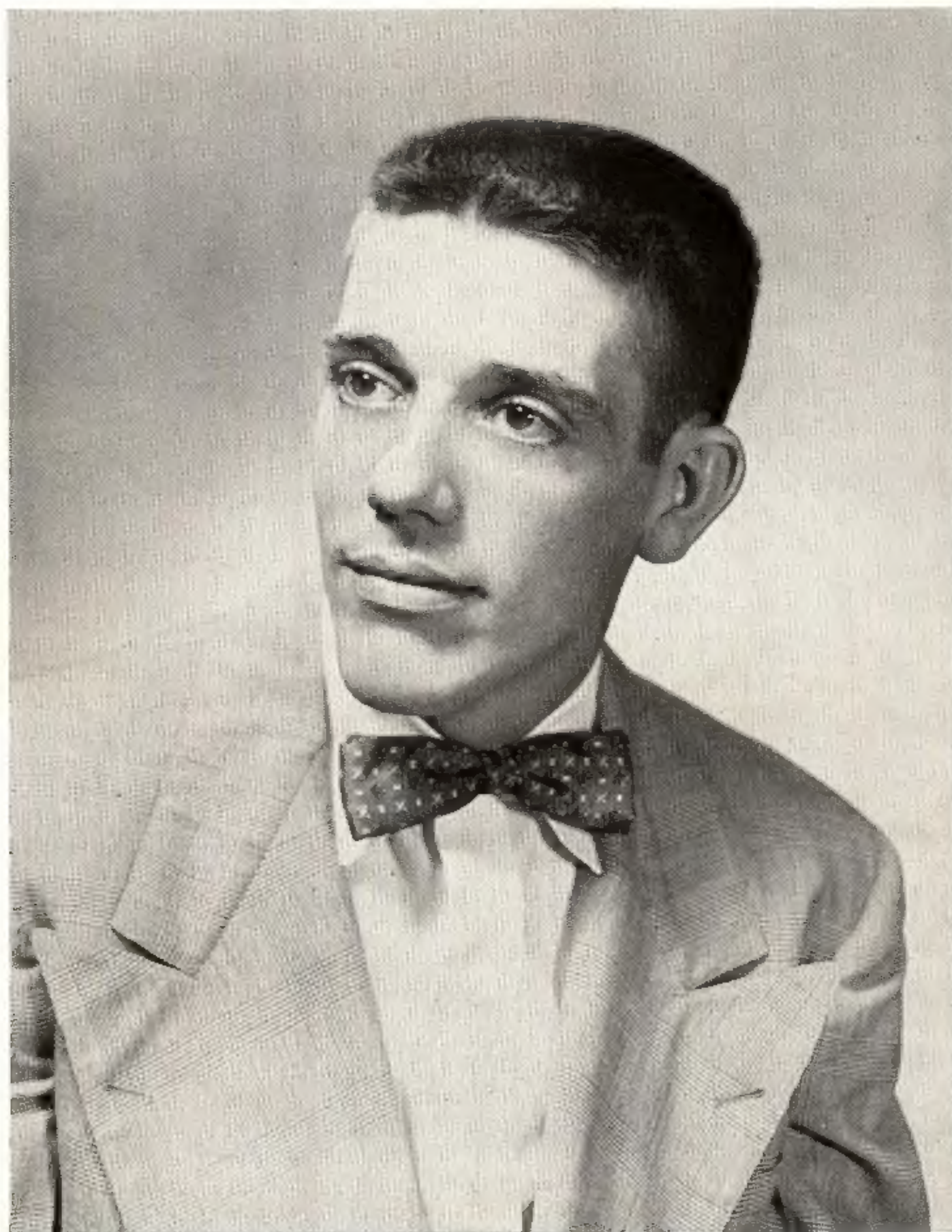
**I'M  
IT!**

*so i'm to represent the spirit of this gigantic and active high school. yea-a-a, farmer! fight! fight! fight!*





# DEDICATION



**TO MR. CONNOLLY**

*... whose genial manner has added much to our high school years.*

**SENIOR CLASS, 1954**

*I hope you  
learn young solid  
geometry. Good luck  
Lawrence S. Connolly*





## OUR HIGH SCHOOL

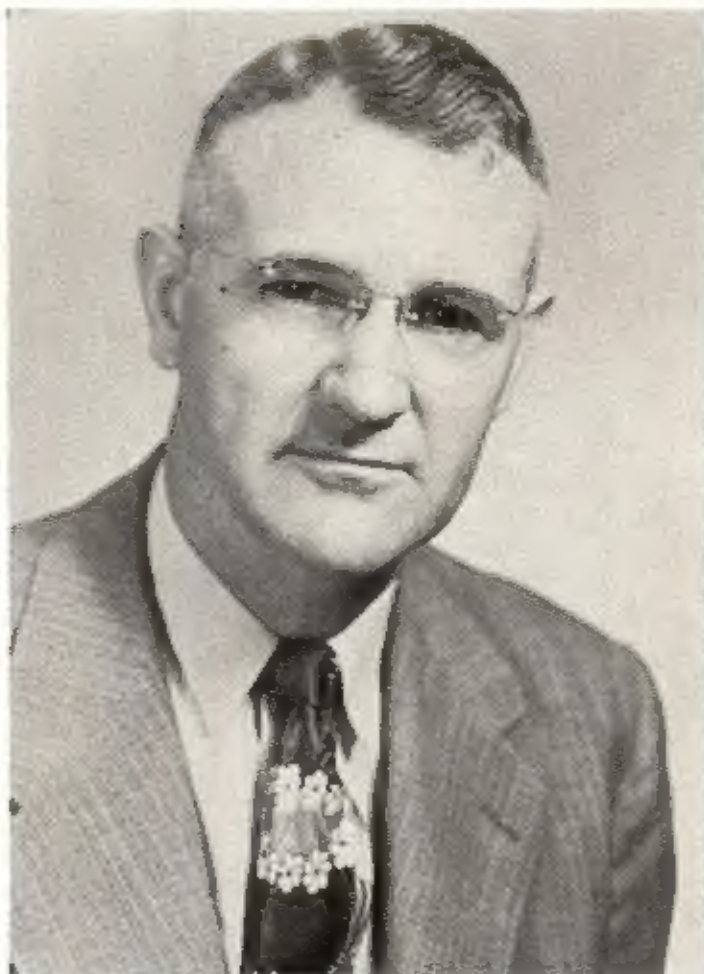
### *... a door to learning*

This is our school of which we are proud and to which we are loyal. If this building could speak, it would reveal the mixed emotions of high school days — sadness, gladness, triumph, defeat, gaiety, and toil. This building will always cause us to reminisce the care-free days of high school.





Frank Maxwell  
*President*



J. W. Price  
*Superintendent*



Darlene Walden  
*Secretary*



Robert Mullen

**SUPERINTENDENT  
AND BOARD  
OF EDUCATION**

*... keys to our  
success*



Lyle Niklaus



Floyd King



Maurice Hurley



Frank McIntyre





**Lawrence E. Smith, Principal**  
**... without a peer**

*Lawrence E. Smith*





Dale  
Anderson



Leo  
Bray



Catherine  
Carter



Gerald  
Cavanaugh



Mary  
Ceibert

*Handwritten: Love you all*  
**FACULTY . . .**

**. . . . may their labor and patience be rewarded**



Martha  
Curtis

Dale Anderson  
*Speech Correctionist*

Martha Curtis  
*Secretary, Principal's Office*

Leo Bray  
*Mathematics  
Science*

Eugene Elliott  
*Agriculture*

Catherine Carter  
*Homemaking*

Duane Gronau  
*Social Studies*

Gerald Cavanaugh  
*Eighth Grade  
Junior High Coach*

Phyllis Grosh  
*Physical Education  
Driver Education*

Mary Ceibert  
*English  
Latin  
Library*

John Maisch  
*Mathematics  
Science*



Eugene  
Elliott



Duane  
Gronau



Phyllis  
Grosh



John  
Maisch

*50¢  
no - not this  
time - can't  
find you  
time. Back to  
you - M. Curtis*

*Best wishes  
as always  
D. Gronau*

*Phyllis  
Grosh*





L. E.  
Connolly



Catherine  
Crago



Elaine  
Dickson



June  
Dickson



John  
Edwards

Lawrence E. Connolly  
*English*

Catherine Crago  
*Seventh Grade*

Elaine Dickson  
*Eighth Grade  
Seventh Grade Homemaking*

June Dickson  
*Commercial*

John Edwards  
*Industrial Arts*

Jeanice Durbin  
*Secretary, Superintendent's Office*

Arthur Middlested  
*Instrumental Music*

Gwen Neubauer  
*Vocal Music*

Ruth Schneider  
*Seventh Grade  
Art*

Jerry Slack  
*Physical Education  
Driver Education  
Athletic Coach*



Jeanice  
Durbin



Arthur  
Middlested



Gwen  
Neubauer



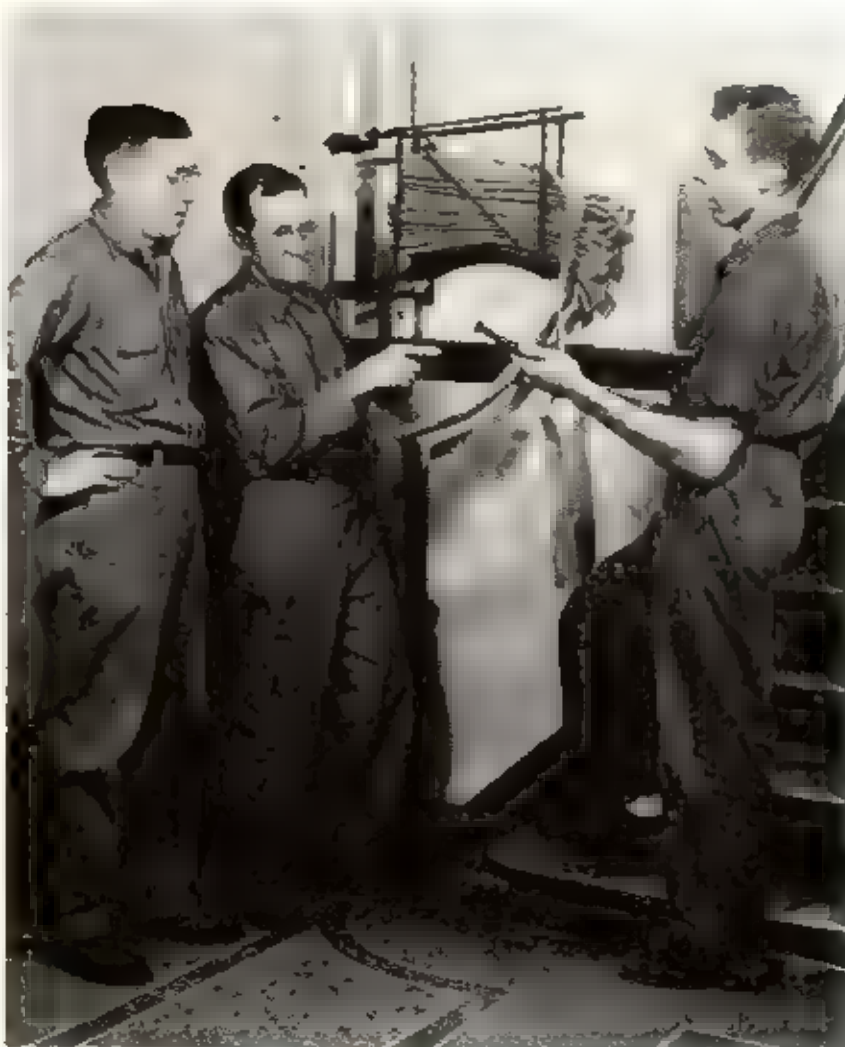
Ruth  
Schneider



Jerry  
Slack



## JANITORS



Ivan Stiger, John Jones, Wilson Tibbs.

## BUS DRIVERS



Row 1, left to right: Wilson Tibbs, Harold Wheeler, Marvin Schmitz, Henry Devault.

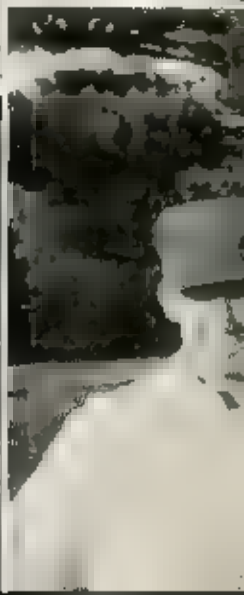
Row 2: Ed Cooke, Ivan Stiger, Lloyd Nicholas, Willard Thomas.

## CAFETERIA HELP



Left to right: Mrs. Clyde Vance, Mrs. Lee Persons, Mrs. Wesley Williams, Mrs. Robert Hieronymus, Mrs. Maude Coleman, Mrs. Carlos Seifert









Seniors



# Flower High School



THE CRITICIAN

1. I hereby certify that the above named person is a member of the  
 2. I hereby certify that the above named person is a member of the  
 3. I hereby certify that the above named person is a member of the

# Diploma

In Witness Whereof our signatures are hereto affixed  
Governor Ernest C. Eklund, this 27th day of May 1934





Don Taylor, Don Goodall, Dan Trenkle,  
Rex Crago.

## SENIORS

*... going, going, gone!*

Remember . . .

all the good times we've had these past four years at M. C. H. S. In spite of the study and hard work, we did have fun, didn't we? Remember how we strutted our stuff at Homecoming, the Stunt Show, the glorious prom and finally at graduation? Now as we direct our thoughts to the future, we realize that these four brief years will always be among our treasured memories.

## Officers

1950-51

*President* ..... Rex Crago  
*Vice-President* ..... Joan Leemon  
*Secretary* ..... Don Taylor  
*Treasurer* ..... Don Goodall

1951-52

*President* ..... Carolyn Hieronymus  
*Vice-President* ..... Shirley Wheeler  
*Secretary* ..... Jessie Mae Warren  
*Treasurer* ..... Lois Walker

1952-53

*President* ..... Shirley Wheeler  
*Vice-President* ..... Jerry Rau  
*Secretary* ..... Doris Shaffer  
*Treasurer* ..... Carolyn Hieronymus

1953-54

*President* ..... Don Taylor  
*Vice-President* ..... Don Goodall  
*Secretary* ..... Rex Crago  
*Treasurer* ..... Dan Trenkle



## SENIOR

Grace Dorene Clark  
*"She enjoys life to the fullest."*



Rex Morrell Crago  
*"I stand on the brink of a great career. Won't someone push me off?"*



Arvilla Mae Dawson  
*"A smile will go a long way."*



Susanne Flint  
*"Nature's own daughter."*



Donald Eugene Goodall  
*"Here he comes; there he goes."*

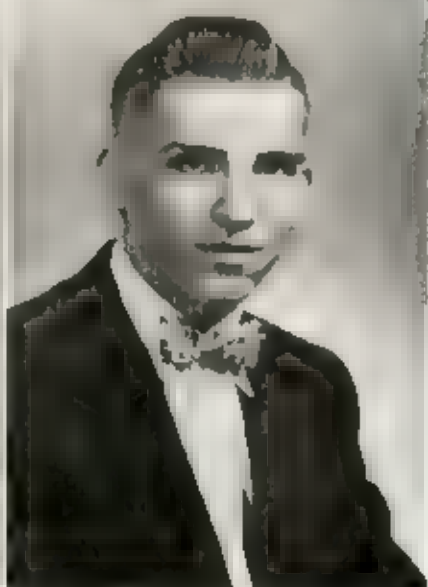


## CLASS

James Louis Hammer  
*"A quiet tongue shows a wise mind."*



Francis Ray Harder  
*"Patience is the best remedy for any trouble."*



Carolyn Bernice Hieronymus  
*"Nice, neat and hard to beat."*



Betty Lou Hoffman  
*"A friend in need is a friend indeed."*



Roberta Lee Jones  
*"The course of true love never did run smooth."*





## SENIOR

Kenneth Wayne Keown

*"Oh, there's nothing in life but making love and laughing."*



Lyle Jean Koontz

*"Sports—a field in which she excels."*



Eldon Eugene Lamb

*"Never judge a fellow by his chest measure; it may be filled with hot air."*



Virdon Darrell LaMonte

*"There are soda crackers and fire crackers; but here's our wise cracker."*



Joan Kay Leemon

*"Come on, you kids, let's really yell."*



## CLASS

Sara Lyn Maxwell

*"A girl of deeds, not of words."*



Mariam Janice Meredith

*"She is indeed a lady, for she can still blush."*



Richard Allen Oakley

*"That's what love will do to a guy."*



Sallie Lee Pierce

*"Ready, willing and able."*



Jean Manilda Price

*"Ambition is the key to success."*





## SENIOR

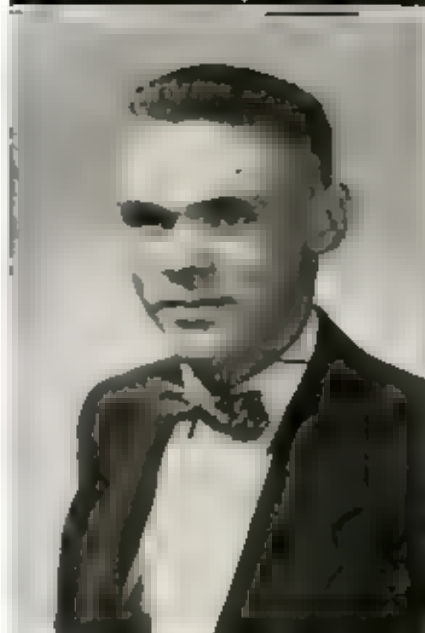
Jerry Lee Rau

*"His good points are many; his bad points, few."*



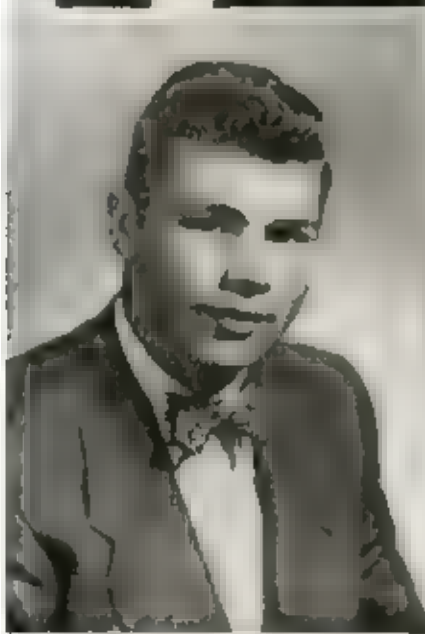
Jimmy Lee Reynolds

*"I am what I am, and that's what I am."*



Clyde Robert Reynolds

*"If study interferes with pleasure, give up study."*



James Lee Ruckman

*"An easy going fellow."*



Norma Edith Scarbrough

*"Silence is golden."*



## CLASS

Doris Amelia Shaffer

*"What! No boys in heaven? Then just leave me here."*



James Edward Shaw

*"One day in the country is worth a month in town."*



Nancy Phyllis Simpson

*"Small, but so is a stick of dynamite."*



Harold Sosamon

*"Never troubles his lessons unless his teachers trouble him."*



Richard Allen Sprague

*"Reserved but friendly."*



## SENIOR

Jennings Donald Taylor  
*"Whatever he tackled, he tackled hard."*



John William Thomas  
*"He came, he saw; she conquered."*



Laurence Eugene Thomas  
*"Is he bored or is he shy?  
 Can't he talk or won't he try?"*



Walter Edward Torbert  
*"Calm, cool, and collected."*



Daniel Joseph Trenkle  
*"Full of fun and fancy free."*



## CLASS

Phyllis Roberta Turpin  
*"Calm and peaceful are her ways."*



Lois Elaine Walker  
*"Variety is the spice of life."*



Jessie Mae Warren  
*"Whatever she does, she does it well."*



William Wells  
*"Every day is a holiday."*



Larry Eugene Welton  
*"Worry? Never heard of it."*





## SENIOR

Dorothy Ann West  
*"Another blonde, but she  
 has ability."*



Shirley Faye Wheeler  
*"I heard that the way to  
 a man's heart is through  
 his stomach."*



Richard D. Workman  
*"Girls! Stop it; I love it."*



## CLASS

Gerald Clayton White  
*"If it's a good auto  
 mechanic you need,  
 here's one who's tops!"*



Wayne Richard Williams  
*"Do the women love me  
 as much as I think they  
 do?"*



# HISTORY—CLASS OF 1954

## ... *Treasury of the familiar*

In September, 1950, sixty green, inexperienced and timid Freshmen entered the doors of Moore High School. Each member was "cordially" welcomed by upper classmen on initiation day. The boys wore long underwear, onions around their necks, marshmallows on their shoes and their hair in curlers. The girls (also appropriately dressed) were clad in pajamas and housecoats and carried dolls. Their float entry in the Homecoming Parade was "Stack 'em, Stuff 'Em In, Roll 'Em Over." The Freshmen entered the Annual Stunt Show with the stunt, "Tickets Please" and ran away with the honors—third place. Shirley Wheeler and Jerry Rau were the Freshmen attendants to the King and Queen. The class officers were: President, Rex Crago; Vice-President, Joan Leemon; Secretary, Don Taylor; Treasurer, Don Goodall; Student Council, Lois Walker. Miss Joy Ann Price was the class advisor. A party ended the school year.

As Sophomores, another year was begun under the direction of Miss Joy Ann Price. "We Haven't Finished This, But We Will Unity" was the title of the Sophomore float which placed second in the Homecoming Parade. Our Sophomore stunt, "Grandmother's Final Victory," didn't do so well, as it placed fourth. Lois Walker and Robert Reynolds were Miss and Mr. Sophomore. The class officers were: President, Carolyn Hieronymus; Vice-President, Shirley Wheeler; Secretary, Jessie Mae Warren; Treasurer, Lois Walker; Student Council, Joan Leemon. A trip to Turkey Run, Indiana, ended the 1952 school year.

The fall of 1952 proved to be the beginning of a busy year for the Juniors. After class elections: President, Shirley Wheeler; Vice-President, Jerry Rau; Secretary, Doris Shaffer; Treasurer, Carolyn Hieronymus; Student Council, Shirley Wheeler and Arvilla Dawson, plans began to progress for the year's schedule. "We're

Expecting a Victory" was the title of the Homecoming float which copped second place honors. Through the able assistance of the class advisors, Miss Catherine Carter and Mr. Paul Durbin, the 1952 Stunt Show proved to be a success. The Junior Stunt, "Acid and Old Lace", wasn't quite as good, as it took fourth place. Joan Leemon and Don Taylor were Miss and Mr. Junior. Enjoyable dancing throughout the evening was provided by Bob Norman's Orchestra. On May 17, the Juniors presented the annual prom, "Gay Fiesta", for the Seniors. Todd Howard and his orchestra played for the dance following the banquet.

The grand finale for the 1954 Seniors began in September, 1953. Officers elected were: President, Don Taylor; Vice-President, Don Goodall; Secretary, Rex Crago; Treasurer, Dan Trenkle; Student Council, Rex Crago, Shirley Wheeler, and Carolyn Hieronymus. Mr. Connolly and Mr. Smith very expertly guided us through another year of arguments, discussions and selections. Our class float for the Homecoming Parade was entitled, "Hopping to Victory". Excitement arose again during Stunt Show Week. Popular vote proved Jessie Mae Warren, Queen; Dan Trenkle, King; Shirley Wheeler, Miss Senior and Jim Hammer, Mr. Senior. The stunt, "McGillyfuddy Writes Home", was our most enjoyable and most rewarding stunt throughout the four years—a first place honor in our last presentation. An early beginning and a good follow through provided by Miss Elaine Dickson, advisor, and many others resulted in the completion of OUR Owl. The baccalaureate address was by Rev. Fred Harrold of the Christian Church. Commencement exercises were held on May 27, with Carl S. Winters, D.D., of the First Baptist Church of Oak Park, Illinois, as speaker. His topic was "The Fine Art of Living"—a most definite part of our memory. And with this final scene the 1954 Seniors take a last bow to Moore High.



**Last Will and Testament  
Class of 1954**

# CLASS WILL

Being of sound mind and body, we bequeath the following:

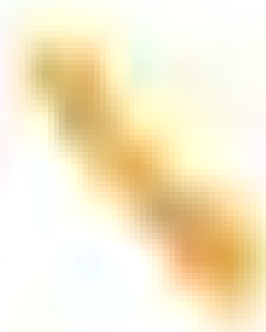
- I, JEAN PRICE, will and bequeath my sarcasm to John Thurber.
- I, HAROLD SOSAMON, will and bequeath my bad times to Mr. Smith.
- I, LOIS WALKER, will and bequeath my silly questions to anyone who can answer them.
- I, JIM SHAW, will and bequeath my ability to get a girl and keep her to Carl Swallow.
- I, DUDE GOODALL, will and bequeath my dual hollywoods to Mr. Smith.
- I, JIM HAMMER, will and bequeath first place in lunch line to anyone who is fool enough to try for it.
- I, JIM RUCKMAN, will and bequeath my dress clothes to Phil Dolbert.
- I, BILL WELLS, will and bequeath my ability to pass bookkeeping on straight D's to Dave Elmore.
- I, ROBERTA JONES, will and bequeath my straight A's to Norma Lohmeyer.
- I, SALLY PIERCE, will and bequeath my legs to Ann Frederickson.
- I, JOAN LEEMON, will and bequeath my hope chest to Barbara Kelley.
- I, DICK OAKLEY, will and bequeath my car to anyone who needs it for a trip to Mansfield.
- I, RICHARD SPRAGUE, will and bequeath a penny to Pat Hester.
- I, MARIAM MEREDITH, will and bequeath my ability to get along with Mr. Connolly to anyone who needs it.
- I, SHIRLEY WHEELER, will and bequeath my influence with Miss Grosh to Dorothy DeVault.
- I, DOROTHY WEST, will and bequeath my "special" training in Champaign to Mary Seifert.
- I, JERRY RAU, will and bequeath my height to Donnie Ester.
- I, LARRY WELTON, will and bequeath my talent to miss school as much as I can to Billy Bob, also the time I have to make up.
- I, JOHNNY THOMAS, will and bequeath my football ability to J. C. Caroline.
- I, NORMA SCARBROUGH, will and bequeath my glasses to Barbara Kelley.
- I, ELDON LAMB, will and bequeath all my math classes to Carolyn Curtis.
- I, DORENE CLARK, will and bequeath my position as drum majorette to any boy or girl who wants it.
- I, WALTER TORBERT, will and bequeath all my school books to anyone who will have them.

- I, SARA MAXWELL, will and bequeath my ability to come to school when it is convenient to Sylvia Stoughton.
- I, ARVILLA DAWSON, will and bequeath my secret senior boy friend to anyone who thinks she can get him.
- I, GERALD WHITE, will and bequeath my interests in other towns to Tom Tobin.
- I, FRANCIS HARDER, will and bequeath my noon hours in study hall to Jim Anderson.
- I, DICK WORKMAN, will and bequeath my school days to Don Owens.
- I, DORIS SHAFFER, will and bequeath my bottle of peroxide to Pat Brannock.
- I, REX CRAGO, will and bequeath my lost weekends to anyone who can live through them.
- I, NANCY SIMPSON, will and bequeath my interest in men to Elizabeth Nowlin.
- I, BOB REYNOLDS, will and bequeath my interest in football to Jerry Hardy.
- I, BETTY HOFFMAN, will and bequeath my big purses to Susan Herrick.
- I, JESSIE MAE WARREN, will and bequeath my ability to go with one boy for four years to Janet Elmore.
- I, DARRELL LaMONTE, will and bequeath my interest in Clinton to Lyndon Short.
- I, ACE WILLIAMS, will and bequeath my ability to do chemistry to Mr. Matsch.
- I, DON TAYLOR, will and bequeath my ability to do bookkeeping to Miss Dickson.
- I, DAN TRENKLE, will and bequeath my interest in the Standard Oil Company to Frank Williams.
- I, KENNY KEOWN, will and bequeath my knack for being tired to Jim Anderson.
- I, CAROLYN HIERONYMUS, will and bequeath my F.H.A. membership to Dorothy Stiles.
- I, JEAN KOONTZ, will and bequeath my sports ability to Miss Grosh.
- I, JIM REYNOLDS, will and bequeath my place in lunch line to Kris Lawson.
- I, SUSANNE FLINT, will and bequeath my gym suit to Sandra Kopp.
- I, PHYLLIS TURPIN, will and bequeath my engagement ring to Beverly Cadle.
- I, LARRY THOMAS, will and bequeath my car to Mr. Bray.

Thus, on this, the twenty-seventh day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-four, we set our hand and seal to this, our last will and testament, which is witnessed by the following:

Sparkle Plenty  
Honest Abe Yokum  
St. George  
The Creep.





# CLASS PROPHECY

Moore High  
June, 1958

Dear Mom,

An alumni dinner was held here last evening. Gosh, you'd never believe all that has happened since 1934. Here's what I mean.

Rex is still hounding Kinsey to make another report.

Dude's Cleaning Shop is the first one around with a hot-rod garage in the back rooms.

Wells, Hammer and Reynolds have formed the first co-op farm around here. It's near Harris.

Francis is improving the Firmer Mattress—when he's through it will be the Harder Mattress.

Kenny is the manager for T.V.'s lady wrestler. Hard-Headed Heddy.

Darrell is in Hollywood producing HIS latest picture, "The Stogie Returns". Starring (who else)—Darrell Ala King.

Marion and Adlai Stevenson have been nominated by the Democrats to run for Mr. and Mrs. Democrat.

Dick Oakley is one of the nation's busiest traveling salesmen with the Buller Frush Company.

Jerry is playing center for Illinois, again.

Carolyn is now one of Illinois' best cheerleaders. She yells, "Rau, Rau."

Robert Reynolds is making lectures at the "Bull Moose Klub" every week.

Norma is running the only grocery store in Illinois with day-old goods being auctioned off in the back.

Doris has been nominated for "Miss Universe". (She has an all a-round shape.)

Harold is still making trips to Clinton.

Richard Sprague has been nominated for having the biggest "fish tale of the year".

Don Taylor is posing for the covers of "LOVE ME" and "I'M YOURS".

Johnny has just replaced Dizzy Dean on the Sportcast.

Larry Thomas just returned from a hunting trip in the West. Results: "they're" all married.

Shirley and Warren just came back from a second honeymoon in Spain.

Gerald just bought out the manufacturers of the Stritch'e-Stretchie Girdles.

Ace is proprietor of Pillard's Pool Hall.

Sally has replaced Marjorie Main on T.V.

## ... four years hence

Suzanne is raising little gee-tar players on a farm near DeLand.

Dorene is selling for a big fish market in Miami. She says her boss is really a crab.

Arvilla just won a three-year supply of Hills Brothers' Coffee for writing a winning entry on "Why I would rather drown my sorrows with your coffee than any other".

Betty Lou just completed her latest book on her most recent trip to Mars. I guess it's really out of this world.

Roberta is the star of a new T.V. show, "My Gal Friday, Saturday, and Sunday". It's a serial in three parts.

Jean's engagement to Notre Dame's star player was announced. Maybe they will raise an all-star team.

Joan is running a tanning salon on the Paris beach. If they don't get one, she paints one on.

Sara is building a USO center in Farmer City for the Chanute fellows. (She's president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.)

Jean Price has just been named "Teacher of the Year".

Jim Ruckman is running Jim's Jiffy Photo Shop in the east corner of his barn.

Nancy is running the Tra-La-La-Boomp-Tee-A Dress Shop in Chicago.

Walter Torbert has just won the championship to the Farmer City Speedway.

Dan is giving Taylor competition by posing on "HEART THROB."

Phyllis is on a large Colorado ranch keeping house for Vaughn and their brood of kids.

Lola is inventor of a new kind of "Honey."

Jessie Mae has just improved on the Ann Delafield Reducing Plan.

Dorothy is running the Pippy Popcorn Stand.

Dick Workman is manager of the Yankees. They have just won the sixth series straight.

Eldon has replaced "Johnny" on the call for Phillip Morris.

Perk is appearing nightly at the Dew Drop Inn billed as "The Trumpet Rage of the Age."

Jim and Marg stay home every night now and watch TV.

I'm getting sleepy now. Please write when you find the time.

With love,

Snazzem Juzzem



# Who in the Senior Class

h  
o  
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Personality Plus

Wittiest



Shirley  
Wheeler



Dan  
French



Marianne  
Meredith



Ace  
Williams

Most Likely To Succeed

Best Looking



Rex  
Craig



Betty  
Hoffman



Jessie  
Mae  
Warren



Carolyn  
Hieronymus



Don  
Taylor

Fashion Plates

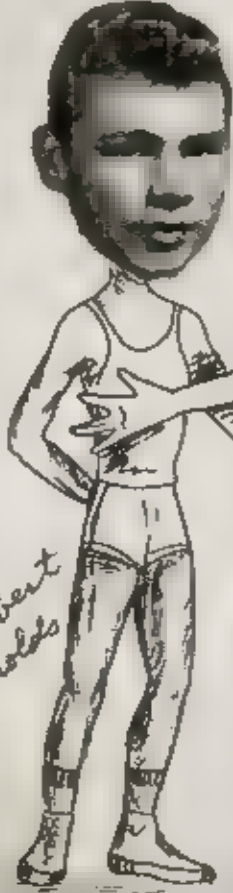
Most Athletic



Jerry  
Row



Joan  
Leemon



Robert  
Reynolds



Johnny  
Thomas



Jean  
Kootz



Suzanne  
Kent









# Juniors



# JUNIORS

... one year to go

A busy year . . . class rings . . . Stunt Show . . . coronation plans . . . Linda Stagen and Bill Rittenhouse in the royal court . . . Committee meetings . . . a big night . . . basketball games . . . dates . . . plans for prom . . . remember all that crepe paper . . . biggest and best (we're prejudiced) . . . responsibilities accepted . . . we're growing up . . . we're JUNIORS.

## OFFICERS

President .....Kathy Beasley  
Vice-President .....Sylvia Savage  
Secretary .....Delmar Thom  
Treasurer .....Pat Hester



Left to right: Kathy Beasley, Sylvia Savage, Delmar Thom, Pat Hester.



Kathy Beasley  
Janet Hoffman  
Pat Brannock  
Virginia Bunting



John Corder  
Dorothy DeVault  
Phil Dolbert  
Kent Durbin

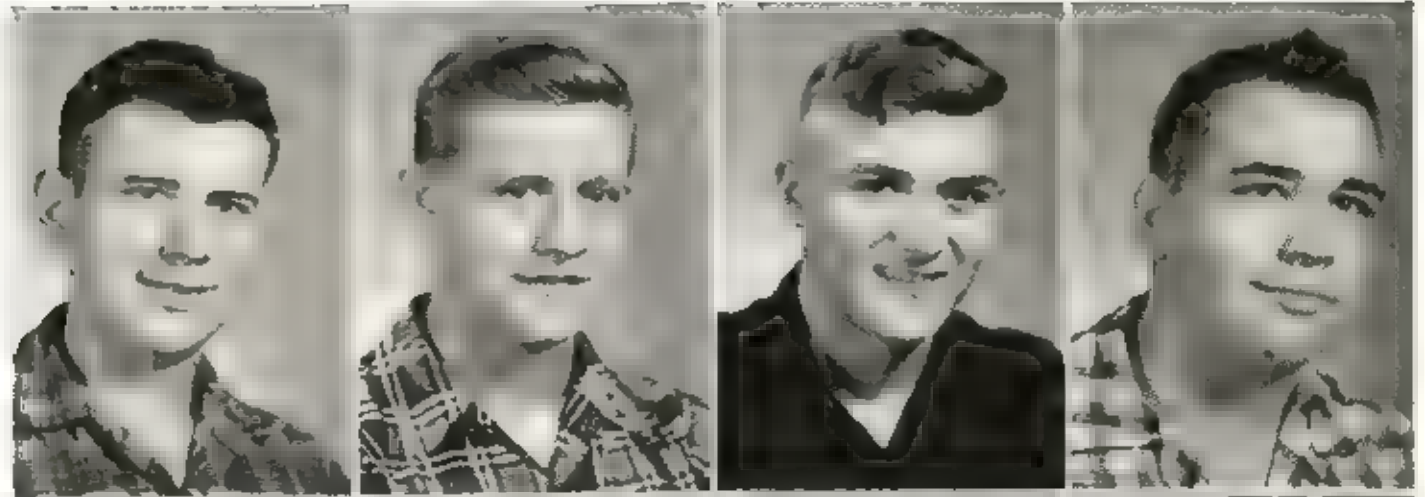


David Elmore  
Weldon Fogal  
David Frederickson  
Larry Gee



... one year to go

Tom Healea  
Dick Hedges  
Pat Hester  
Larry Hoffman



Barbara Kelley  
Phil King  
Kristen Lawson  
Norma Lohmeyer



Ruth Ann McIntyre  
Barbara Marvin  
Don Marvin  
Oris Miller



Doris Moore  
Don Owens  
Leslie Parker  
Bill Peters



Robert Ratcliff  
Fred Reynolds  
Bill Rittenhouse  
Sylvia Savage



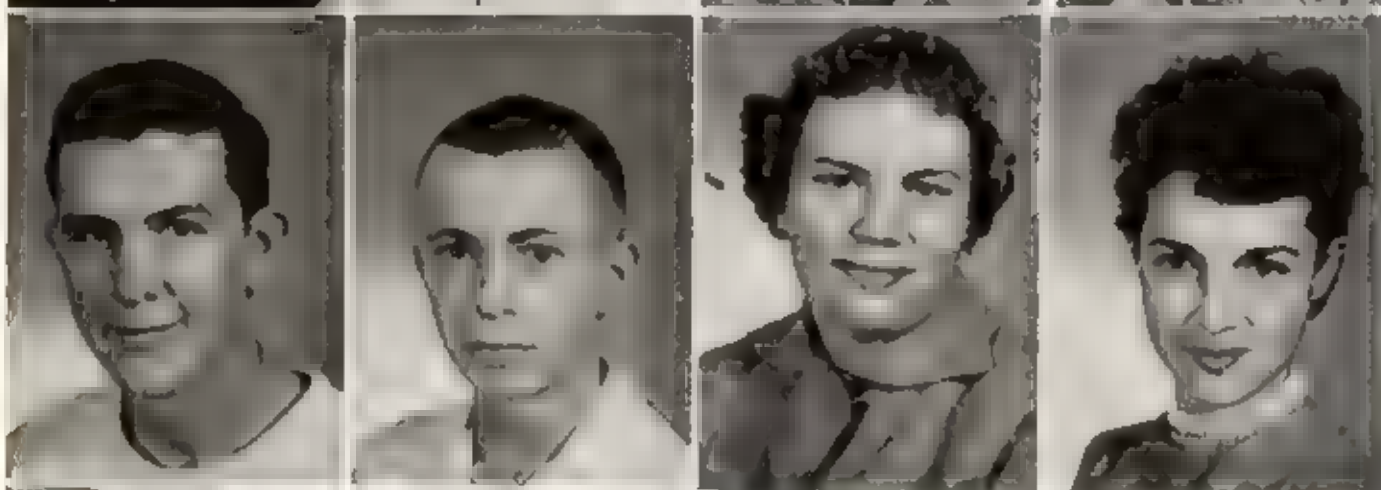
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Mary Ruth Scarbrough  
Roy Dale Scarbrough  
Mary Kathryn Seifert  
Virginia Sprague



Linda Stagen  
Dorothy Stiles  
Carl Swallow  
Frances Taylor



Delmar Thom  
Tom Tobin  
Mary Lou Wells  
Ruby Wilson



Frank Workman  
Jerry Wright





# CLASSROOM SCENES

... test tube, dictionary, pie pan, and paint brush



CHEMISTRY



ENGLISH III



HOME EC. II



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Sophomores

# SOPHOMORES

... two years to go

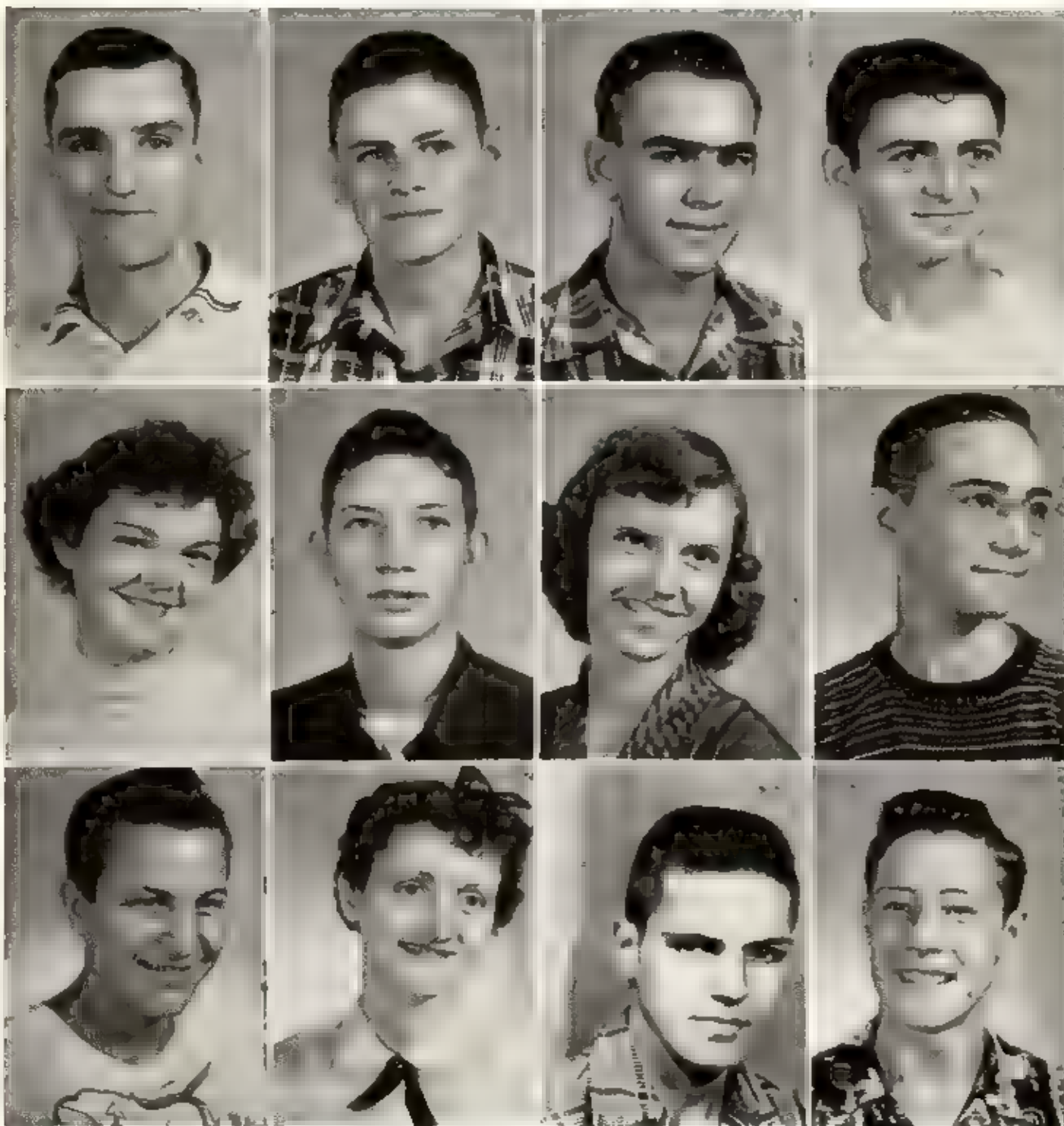
Sophomore year . . . working for home economics degrees and "M's" . . . Biology tests . . . majors and minors . . . class parties . . . our float, "Signals Won't Help Now" . . . coronation attendants, Mary Jean Smith and John Thurber . . . stunt for Stunt Show . . . Daddy Date Night (lucky fathers) . . . football games . . . servers for prom . . . feeling much older than freshmen . . . we're SOPHOMORES and proud of it.

## OFFICERS

President . . . . . Frances Wheeler  
Vice President . . . . . John Thurber  
Secretary . . . . . Dixie Owens  
Treasurer . . . . . Susie Oakley



Left to right: Frances Wheeler, John Thurber, Dixie Owens, Susie Oakley.



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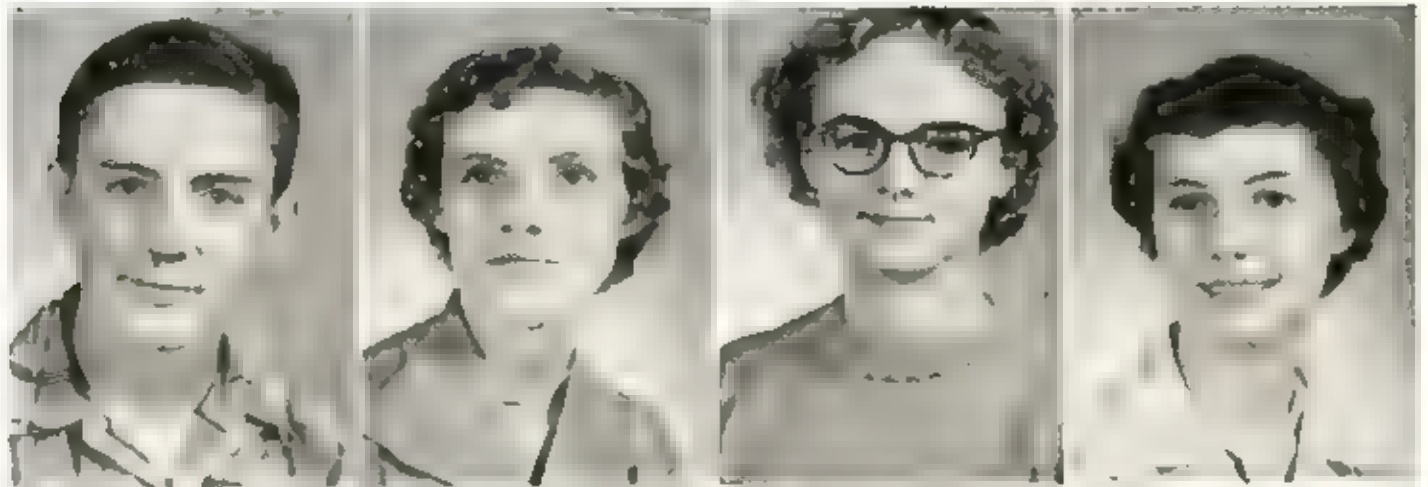
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Tony Cadle  
Charlotte Chaney  
Don Corder

Lou Coyle  
Judy Dawson  
Floyd Huff  
George Engel



... two years to go

John Galaway  
Linda Gibbs  
Shirley Heflin  
Joyce Hendren



Gordon Huff  
Judy Johnson  
Ralph Jones  
David Lewis



Lyle Lindsey  
Don Merrifield  
Susie Oakley  
Dixie Owens



Mary Lou Parr  
Fred Peters  
Dick Reynolds  
Nadine Richards



Jackie Roberson  
Phil Rous  
Raymond Sawyer  
Nancy Shaw



... two years to go



Lindon Short  
Mary Jean Smith  
Skip Stagen  
Larry Stagen



Joyce Stiger  
Don Stimler  
Sylvia Stoughton  
John Thurber



David Trenkle  
Mike Trenkle  
John West  
Becky Wheeler



Frances Wheeler  
Junior Whitehouse  
Frank Williams





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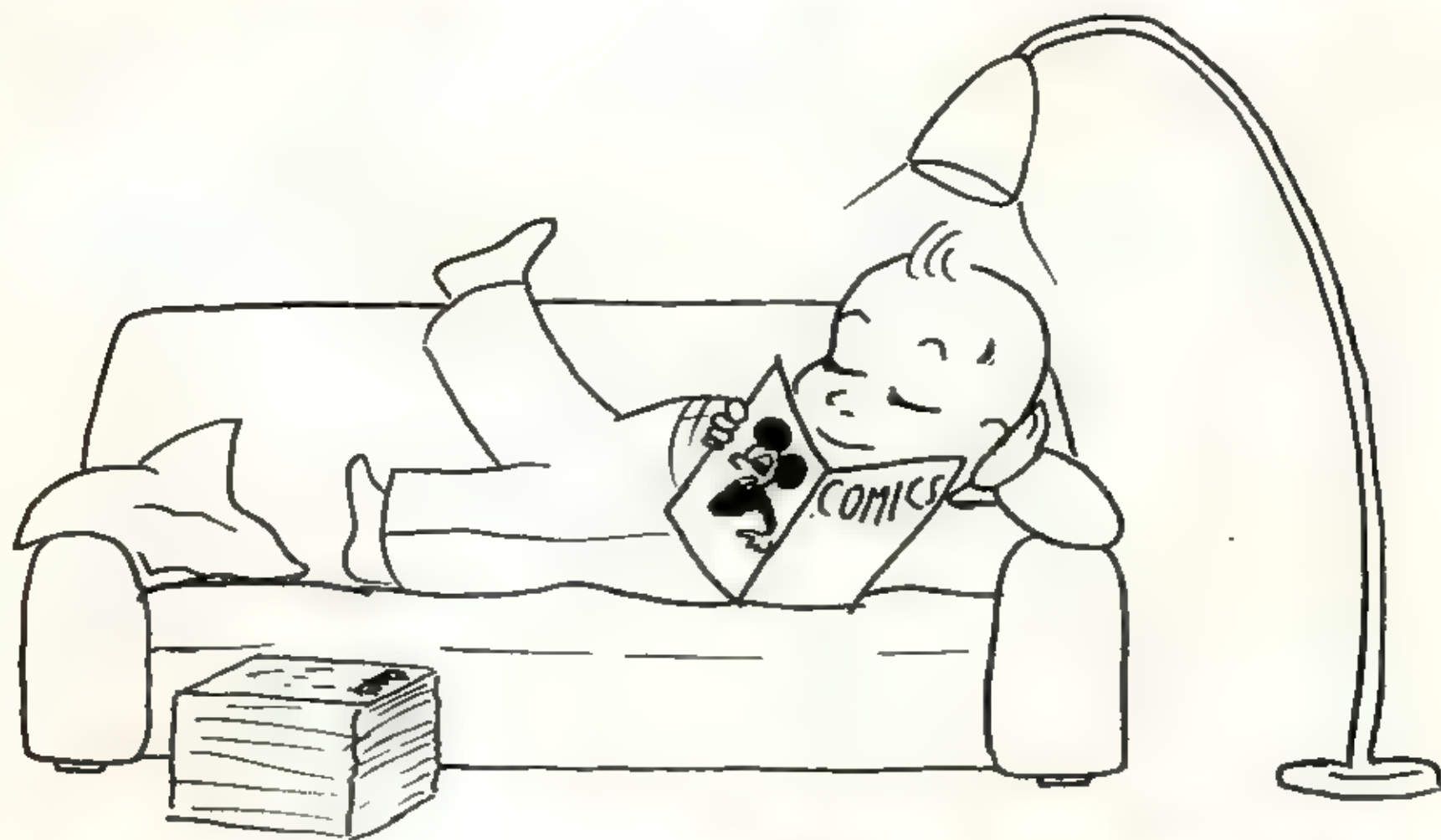
*... the necessary evils of our day*



HOME EC. II



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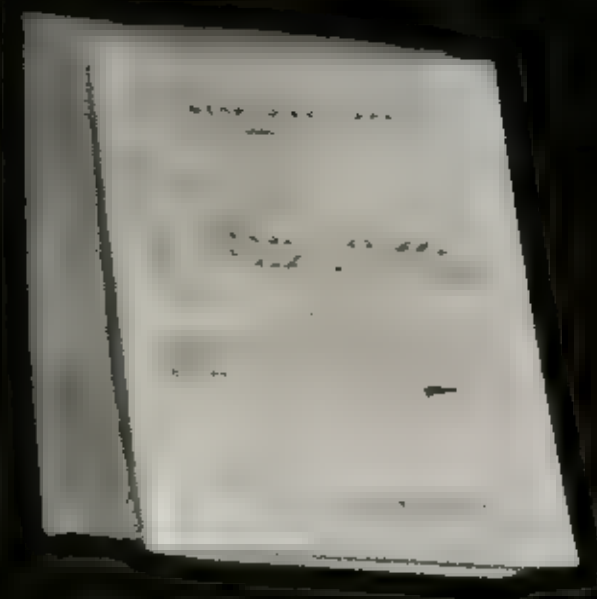


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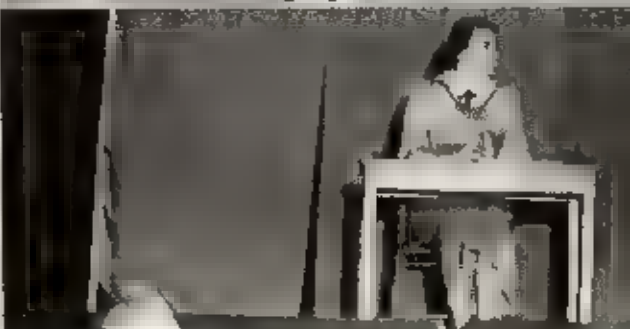


TYPING





Freshmen





# CLASSROOM SCENES

*... more work than play*



MATH I



AGRICULTURE II



ENGLISH I

GENERAL SCIENCE



# Who's Who in M.H.S.

Most Musical



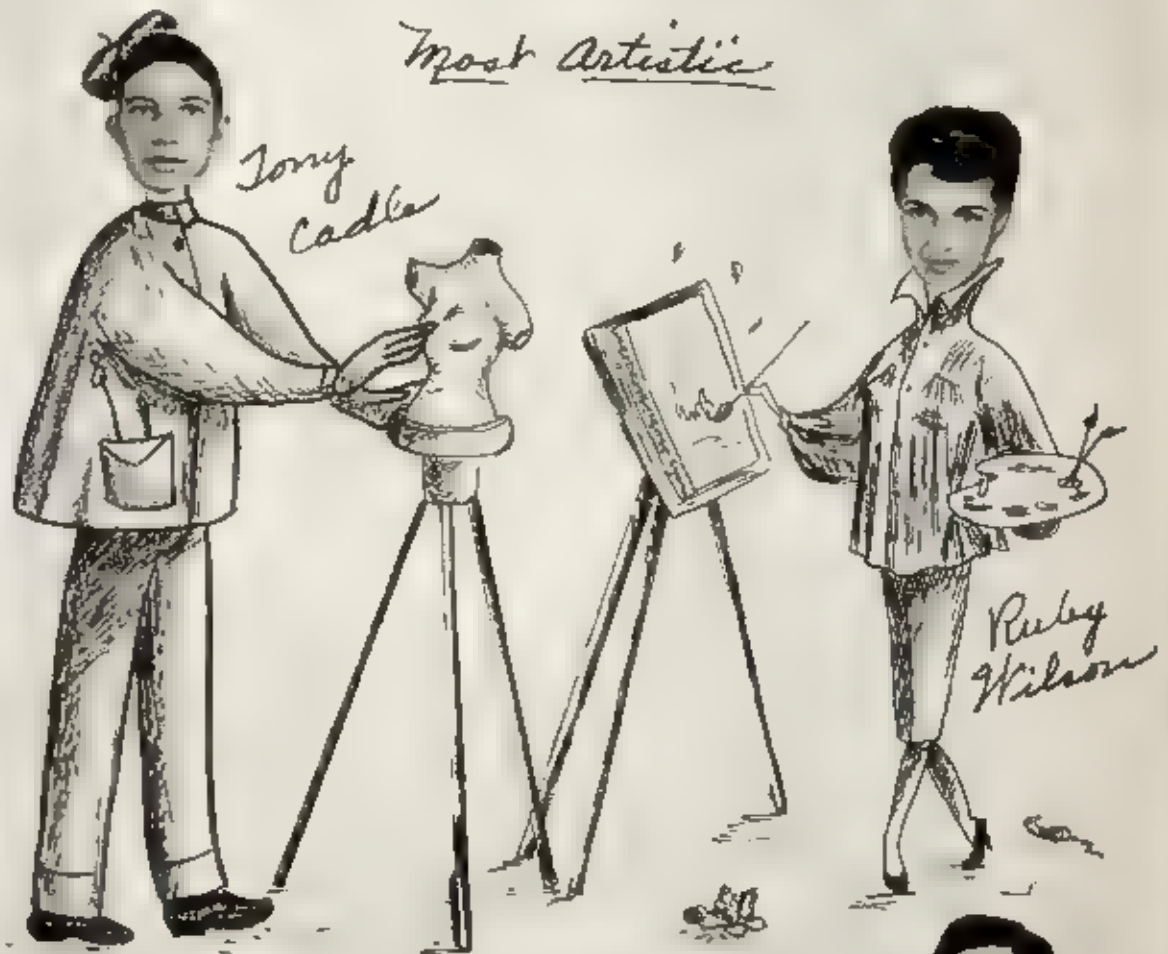
Best Looking



Personality Plus



Most Artistic



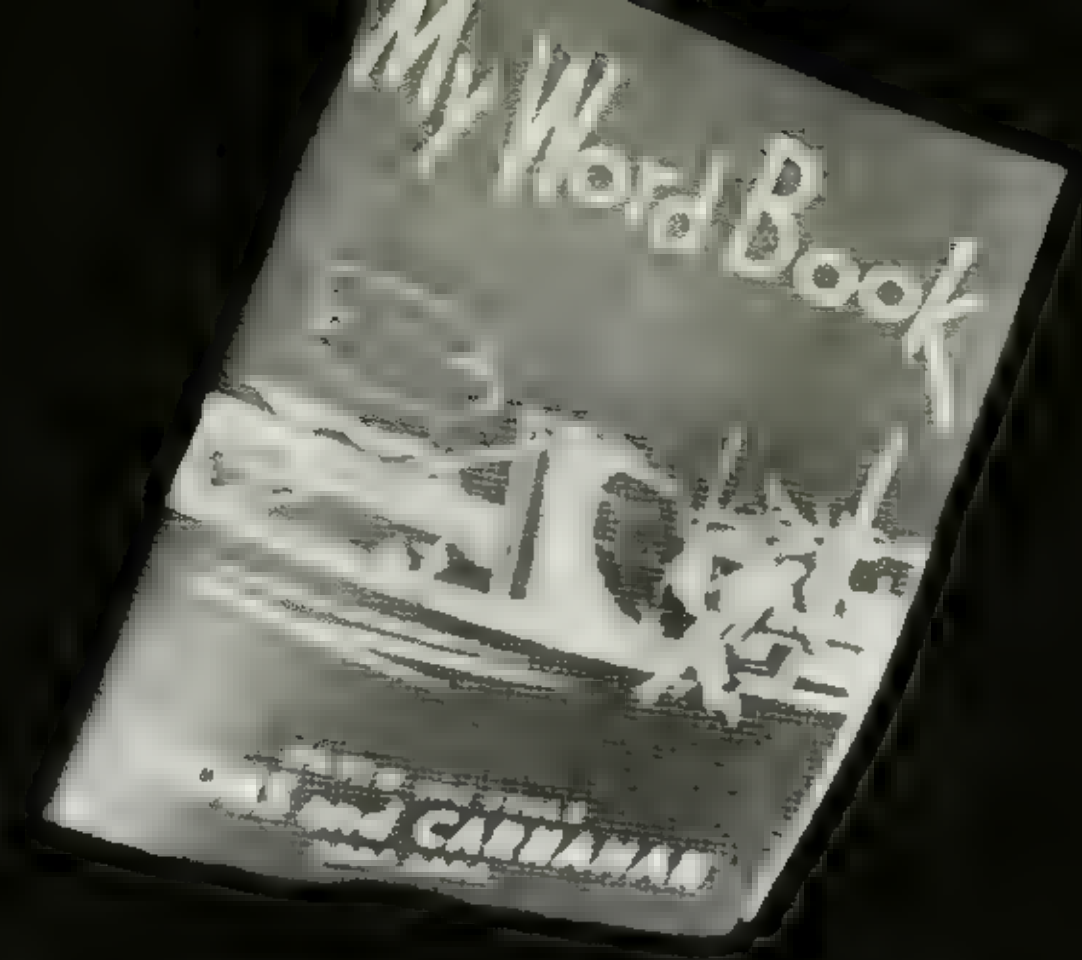
Most Athletic



Most Domestic







Jr. High School





Left to right: Kathryn Swartz, Leslie Simpson, Jim Wright,  
Patty Hendren

### OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .....	Leslie Simpson
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	Jim Wright
<i>Secretary</i> .....	Kathryn Swartz
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	Patty Hendren

The Eighth Grade Class adjusted quickly to the routine of study last fall under the guidance of Miss Elaine Dickson and Mr. Gerald Cavanaugh.

The Eighth Grade contribution to the Homecoming Parade was a very attractive float entitled, "We'll Lick the Helicopter Out of Saybrook."

On January 30, the class went to the Circus Roller Rink in Bloomington. This was the first class party of the year.

In the middle of February the class had a play night which everyone participated in whole-heartedly.

They closed the year by going to Chap's Amusement Park in Decatur on the last day of school.





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Row 1, left to right: Steve Barnett, Charine Baker, Eugene Ester, Chuck Brannock, Jimmy Borton, Dinn Kenner, Jerry Zimmerman.  
 Row 2: Elsie Stensel, Curtis Maxwell, LaDonna Thompson, Jeannette Hillis, Beverly Grimes, Bill Hammer, Kenneth Spurling.  
 Row 3: Kathryn Swartz, Jane Stagen, Katherine Fogal, Jimmy Wright, Susan Herrick, Sandra Swallow.  
 Row 4: Merril Taylor, Ester Torrance, Eddie Follis, Myrna Flanagan, Dan Moore, Bobby Workman.  
 Standing: Miss Elaine Dickson



8 B

Row 1, left to right, Jerry Stiles, Carolyn Kuykendall, Patty Hendron, Betty Wilson, Sue Turpin, Madeline McCord  
 Row 2: Steve McCord, Jim Ratchiff, Joe Walsh, Deanna Durbin, Phillip Rodman, Myrna Maxwell  
 Row 3: Curtis Rau, Linda Hieronymus, Leroy Ester, Lynn Lohmeyer, Sharon Harder.  
 Standing: Larry Young, Royce Wilson, Leslie Simpson, Mr. Gerald Cavanaugh, Jimmy Jones, David Ashworth, Maxine Healea, Sharon Owens.

# SEVENTH GRADE

*... little people, big ideas*



*Left to right:* Leslie Franklin, Phil West, Audrey Lamb, Don Propeck.

## OFFICERS

*President* .....Donald Propeck  
*Vice-President* .....Phil West  
*Secretary* .....Audrey Lamb  
*Treasurer* .....Leslie Franklin

On January 30, the sixty-three students of the Seventh Grade had a class party. The party was held in the gymnasium. Everyone had his fill of food and frolic. The chaperones were: Mrs. Clyde Warren, Mrs. Harold Propeck, Mrs. Jesse Gee, Mrs. Roy Roberson, and Mrs. Orville Stutzman.

The Seventh Grade float, "We'll Feast On Saybrook", placed fourth in the Homecoming Parade.

In April, the Seventh Grade took a trip to Bloomington, Illinois. There they visited Beich's Candy Factory and the McLean County Historical Society's Museum, located in McBarnes Memorial Building.





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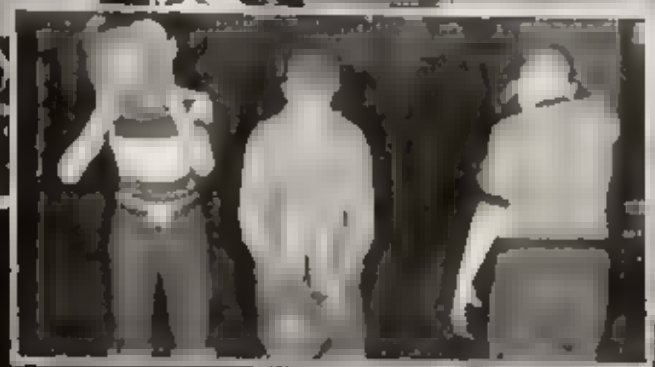
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 Row 2: Gene Steward, Linda Welton, Jane Brownlee, Pauline Heflin, Jerry Milton.  
 Row 3: Bill Woodard, Leslie Franklin, Jerry Hoffman, Kenny Kirby.  
 Row 4: Marilyn White, Sandra Dye, Ann Young, Lynn Franklin, Ronnie Wright, Jim Lamb.  
 Row 5: Janet Gee, Donna Deeters, Larry Roberts, Miss Ruth Schneider, Donnie Propeck, Ellen Jane Tharp, Joyce Wheeler, Bonnie Duff, Audrey Lamb, Judy King, Jacky Bateman.



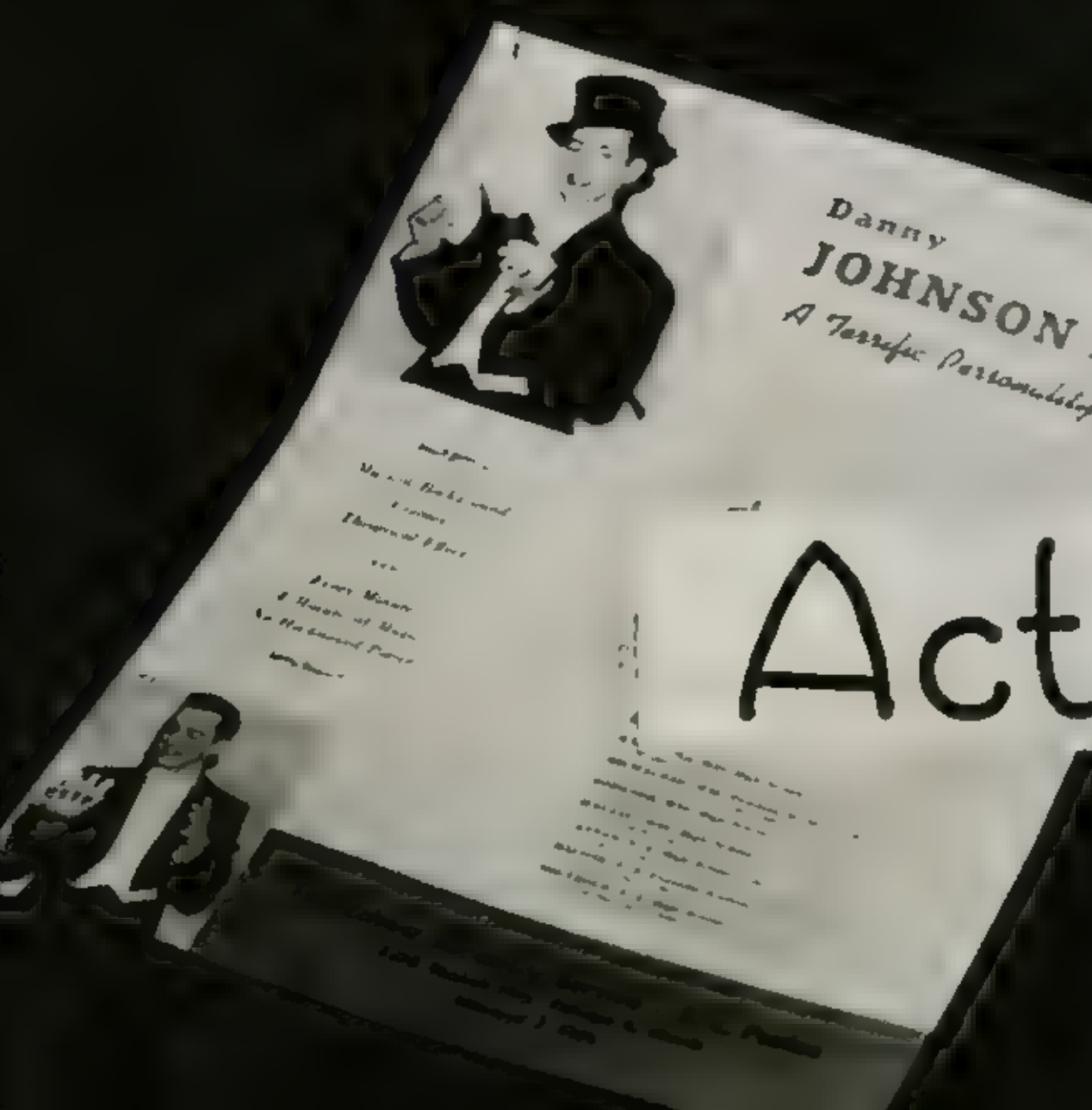
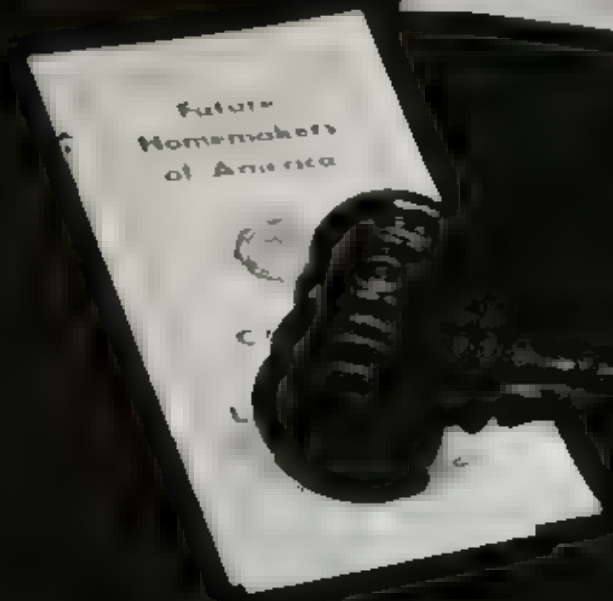
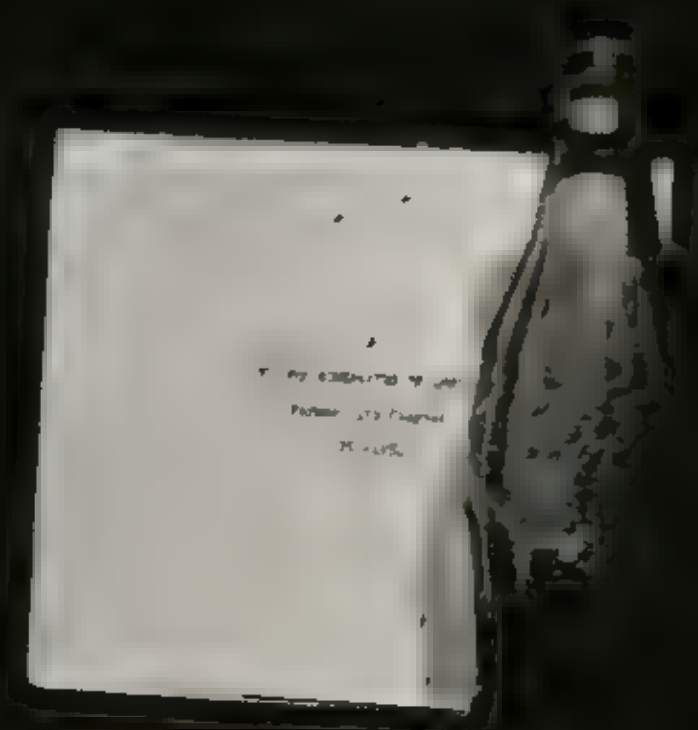
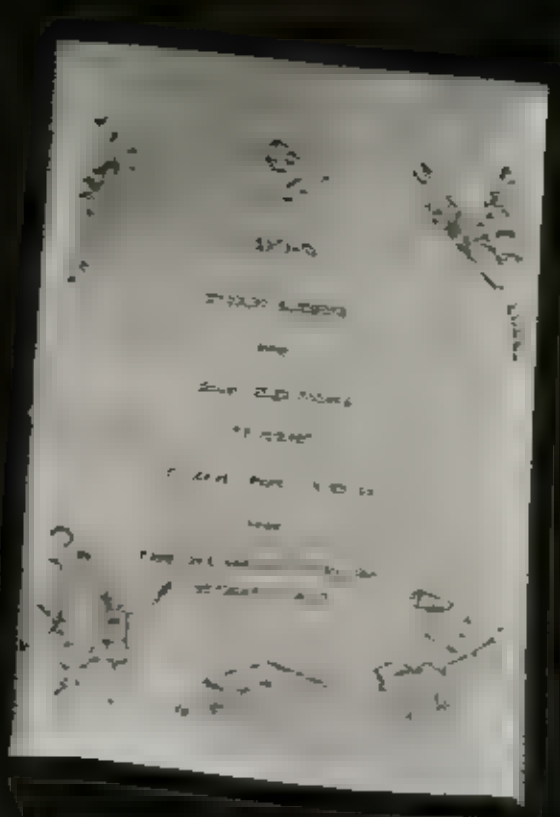
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Row 1, left to right: Robert Johnson, Allen Olson, Dan Hamilton, David Moore, Rosa Cornell, Elaine Adams.  
 Row 2: Ronnie Hooser, Betty Newberry, Karen Peters, Joanne Dawson, Suzie Stutzman  
 Row 3: Jerry Marvin, Gerald Weidner, Roger Roberson, Jack Anderson, David Isaacs, Dianne LaMonte, Sandra Sullivan.  
 Row 4: Shirley Stevens, Ann White, Joan Clow  
 Row 5: Mrs. Catherine Crago, Jim Parr, Charles Chaney, Darrell Kirby, Darwin Kopp, Phillip West.









# Activities

# STUDENT COUNCIL

... Moore High's guiding light



Row 1, left to right Norma Lohmeyer, Rex Crago, Mary Jean Smith, Jim Hammer, Mr. L. E. Smith, Jerry Rau, Shirley Wheeler, Curtis Maxwell  
Row 2: Ellen Jane Sharp, Katherine Fogal, Buddy Hooser, Kathy Beasley, Jim Reynolds, Carolyn Hieronymus, Don Goodall, Bettie Thomas, Dick Reynolds, Frances Wheeler, Joan Clow.

The 1953-54 Student Council members and officers were elected in the spring of 1953. The new Student Council took over for the last few weeks of school and one of the first things the Council did was to elect Carolyn Hieronymus and Jerry Rau to attend the State Student Council Convention with Mr. Smith in Chicago.

The next activity the new council sponsored was Student Control Day. A principal, assistant principal, and office secretary were elected from the Senior Class. The students taught all the classes during the day.

During a meeting of general discussion a question was raised concerning the system of electing cheerleaders. A committee was appointed to meet with Miss Grosh and Mr. Smith to discuss various systems of election. The committee, with the approval of the Council, decided to have high school cheerleaders elected each year. They were to be elected by the Student Council representatives of classes, with a group of teachers, following a try-out which all attended.

During the preceding spring, corrections, changes, and additions were made on the 1952-53 handbook. That summer the Student Council arranged, typed, and compiled the 1953-54 Student Handbook. Following a general assembly, each class was divided into sections and each representative in the Council lead a section in a discussion of the handbook.

this year by the Student Council. Talent and stunts from the freshmen students and teachers, talent from upper classmen, and games provided the evening's entertainment.

An activity that was new to the Council was that of choosing the Junior High cheerleaders. They were chosen by the same system as the high school with the addition of the Seventh and Eighth Grade Council members and teachers.

On November 14, Mary Kathryn Seifert, Roberta Jones, Carolyn Hieronymus, Jim Hammer, Rex Crago and Mr. Smith attended the Champaign District Student Council Convention at Hoopeston.





## OFFICE HELP AND LIBRARIANS

... white collar workers



*Background, left to right* Jenn Price, Rex Crago, Betty Hoffman.  
*Standing* Jean Koontz, Ruth McIntyre, Linda Stagen, Sally Pierce, Phyllis Turpin,  
Mrs. Martha Curtis

... potential bookworms



*Standing, left to right* Norris Blankenship, Betty Hoffman, Martha Rittenhouse, Mrs.  
Mary Ceibert, June Parrell, Charlotte Sawyer  
*Sitting* Jerry Hardy, Sandra Kopp, Nancy Engel, Janet Hester.

... the welcome mats (hall cadets)



*Standing, left to right* Clyde Howe, David Elmore, David Lewis, Kris Lawson,  
Larry Hoffman, Eldon Lamb, Larry Welton.

# FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA



Row 1, Seated: Mr. Eugene Elliott, Larry Gee, Jerry Rau.  
Row 2: Jim Hammer, Don Goodall, John Thomas, Robert Reynolds.

**OFFICERS**  
*President*  
 Jerry Rau  
*Vice President*  
 Don Goodall  
*Secretary*  
 Larry Gee  
*Treasurer*  
 Jim Hammer  
*Sentinel*  
 Robert Reynolds  
*Student Council*  
 Jim Hammer  
*Reporter*  
 John Thomas  
*Advisor*  
 Mr. Eugene Elliott

This year the Future Farmers of America has been a very active organization. Under the leadership of their new adviser, Mr. Elliott, they completed many tasks.

The F.F.A. has many projects. On the first and second of December the club took its annual trip to Chicago. While there, they went to the International Live Stock Show and visited the Chicago Stock Yards. They also went through the packing house of Swift and Company.

The group has also done some work in judging. They went to Oakley, Illinois, in the fall where they won third place in a land judging contest.

In February seven F.F.A. boys attended a Grain and Poultry Judging Contest at Warrensburg, Illinois. They won sixth place in poultry and ninth place in grain. Delmar Thom placed sixth in the top ten in individual judging. The boys who went to judge poultry were: Phil Dolbert, Oris Miller, Jerry Rau and Mike Trenkle, and for the grain: Delmar Thom, Jim Reynolds and Larry Thomas.

This year for the first time in some years the boys picked up corn. The F.F.A. took half of the proceeds with the rest going to the farmer. This proved to be a profitable project.

The F.F.A. held a party for the F.H.A. chapter in March in return for the party the F.H.A. gave them in December.

The Club is working very hard to improve its small shop area. The boys made many improvements, one important one being the painting and rearranging of the tools. They are hoping that a new shop will be built for them by next year.



*... give me 200 acres and a woman*

The Club has a chart in the agriculture class room which is being used to keep a record of each boy. When a boy has earned a certain number of points required, he receives a letter award.

The money-making projects for this year have been making and selling hog troughs and selling garden seeds. The money made goes for use in the Chapter.

The group has had a very prosperous and interesting year.

## F. F. A. MEMBERS



Row 1, left to right: Donnie Ester, Gary Stagen, Jerry Wright, John West, Larry Stagen, Mike Trenkle, Raymond White, Mr. E. Elliott.

Row 2: Phil Dollbert, Robert Reynolds, David Trenkle, Julian Shaffer, Cloyde Howe, Larry Thomas, Kenny Keown.

Row 3: Walter Turbert, Tom Henlea, Bill Wells, Kent Durbin, Fred Reynolds, Don Owens, Don Goodall, Larry Hoffman.

Row 4: Oris Miller, Jim Reynolds, Carl Swallow, Roy Scarbrough, David Elmore, Jim Hammer, Jim Ruckman, Robert Ashworth.

Row 5: Larry Gee, Kristen Lawson, John Thomas, Bill Peters, Delmar Thom, Jerry Rau, John Galaway, Dan Trenkle.

# FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

... with a look toward the future



Row 1, left to right: Miss Catherine Carter, Carolyn Curtis, Roberta Jones, Carolyn Baker, Pat Newberry, June Parrill, Patty Brannock, Nancy Simpson, Dorothy Devault, Sandra Kopp.

Row 2: Nancy Engel, Shirley Hellin, Jody Flint, Judy Dawson, Doris Moore, Norma Lohmeyer, Charlotte Sawyer, Becky Wheeler, Ann Frederickson, Janet Hester.

Row 3: Susie Oakley, Ruby Wilson, Jacky Roberson, Mary Jean Smith, Judy Johnson, Charlotte Chaney, Dixie Owens, Jean Koontz, Mary Lou Parr, Janet Elmore, Mary Lou Wells, Barbara Marvin.

Row 4: Dorothy Stiles, Joan Leemon, Sally Pierce, Marie Torbett, Mary Seifert, Carol Stiger, Donna McCartney, Mariam Meredith, Carolyn Hieronymus, Frances Wheeler, Mary Scarbrough.

Row 5: Joyce Stiger, Joyce Hendren, Betty Lou Hoffman, Mary Beasley, Dorothy West, Jean Price, Ruth McIntyre, Lois Walker, Sylvia Savage, Elizabeth Nowlin, Beverly Cadle.

Row 6: Cheryl Herrick, Gardenia Wilson, Bettie Thomas, Linda Gibbs, Dorene Clark, Nancy Shaw, Sara Maxwell, Barbara Kelly, Linda Stagen, Martha Rittenhouse, Frances Taylor.

The Future Homemakers of America is both a state and national organization which is offered to every girl who has taken homemaking. With excellent leadership from our officers; Miss Catherine Carter, our advisor; and from Mrs. Okie Gibbs, Mrs. Martha Curtis, and Mrs. Clyde Warren, our Chapter Mothers; we feel we have lived up to our Chapter Theme—"F.H.A. Develops Leaders". This year we are developing 55 leaders.

We keep our members popping here and there constantly. During the summer of 1953 Linda Gibbs attended F.H.A. camp at East Bay Camp, Bloomington, Illinois. She returned with many new ideas to improve our chapter work and interesting information for activities. Betty Lou Hoffman was also a F.H.A. summer worker. She spent a week at the National F.H.A. Convention in Columbus, Ohio. This week was both enjoyable and educational for Betty. She, like Linda, brought home many helpful ideas except Betty's were on the national level.

Soon after school began, the F.H.A. members were frantically preparing for the House of Delegates Meeting which was held at Farmer City in October. Our chapter was honored to have Carolyn Hieronymus elected Section 16 Recreation Chairman.

The big money-making project for the F.H.A. is the concession stands for both football and basketball games. All the members gladly volunteer their services in order to make our patrons happy.

The F.H.A. really had a busy year. Some of the main events were the slumber party, hobo day, daddy-date night, F.H.A. week, parent's banquet, polio drive, and the style show.

A party is always given for the F.H.A. by our chapter, which turns out to be fun for all. Then in turn, the F.H.A. throws an evening of entertainment for their sisters, the F.H.A.



## ... F. H. A develops leadership



### OFFICERS

*President* ..... Jessie Mae Warren  
*Vice President*..... Linda Gibbs  
*Secretary* ..... Ruth McIntyre  
*Treasurer* ..... Nancy Shaw  
*Parliamentarian* .. Carolyn Hieronymus  
*Historian* ..... Sally Pierce  
*Public Relations Chairman*... Susie Oakley  
*Project Chairman*..... Mary Seifert  
*Degree Chairman*..... Betty Hoffman

*Courtesy Chairman*..... Joyce Hendren  
*Recreation Chairman*..... Joan Leemon  
*Student Council Representative*....  
 ..... Roberta Jones  
*Freshman Council Members*... ..  
 ..... Carolyn Baker, Carol Stiger  
*Chapter Mothers* Mrs. Okie Gibbs,  
 Mrs. Martha Curtis, Mrs. Cylde Warren  
*Advisor* ..... Miss Catherine Carter



Executive Council  
 Chapter and State Degrees Winners

Junior Degree Winners  
 Program Committee

# JUNIOR FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

... warm courage and high hopes



The Junior F.H.A. is a homemaking organization for all girls in the seventh and eighth grades.

The busy year was begun by initiating those poor, new seventh grade girls. They have to learn the arts of the trade so they were helped to get started on the right foot at the initiation party.

Homecoming was a big event for the Junior F.H.A. They entered a charming little locomotive float in the parade entitled "The Farmers Have The Steam."

Near the end of the year, the club entertained their mothers at the annual style show. Every girl modeled the garment she had made in home economics.

## OFFICERS

President ..... Kathryn Swartz  
 Vice-President ..... Betty Wilson  
 Secretary ..... Ellen Jane Tharp  
 Treasurer ..... Myrna Flanagan  
 Voting Delegate ..... Elfrieda Stensel  
 Courtesy Chairman... Carolyn Kuykendall  
 Recreation Chairman..... Patty Hendren

Chapter Mothers—  
 Mrs. Ray McCord  
 Mrs. R. L. Swartz  
 Advisor—  
 Miss Elaine Dickson

## JR. F. H. A. MEMBERS



Row 1, left to right: Miss E. Dickson, Jeanette Hillis, Pauline Hellin, Joanne Dawson, Myrna Maxwell, Kay Welton, Joan Clow, Audrey Lamb.

Row 2: Ellen Tharp, Sue Gee, Elaine Adams, Ann White, Dianne LaMonte, Rosa Cornell, Suzie Stutzman, Diane Deeters.

Row 3: Jane Brownlee, Maxine Healen, Deanna Durbin, Clarence Baker, Dianne Kettner, Beverley Grimes, Sue Turpin, Sharon Harder.

Row 4: Patty Hendren, Marilyn White, Ann Young, Myrna Flanagan, Sandra Sullivan, Bonny Duff, Sandra Dye, Betty Newberry, Linda Hieronymus.

Row 5: Joy Wheeler, Shirley Stevens, Jane Stagen, Judy King, Betty Wilson, Kathryn Swartz, Sharon Owens, Linda Wilson.

Row 6: Karen Peters, Carolyn Kuykendall, LaDonna Thompson, Ester Torrence, Susan Herrick, Katherine Fogal, Madeline McCord, Sandra Swallow, Elfrieda Stensel.



# M CLUB

... featuring our star athletes



## M CLUB MEMBERS

Row 1, left to right: Mr. Leo Bray, Mike Trenkle, David Frederickson, Don Marvin, LeRoy Borton, Kenny Keown, Dick Oakley, Mr. Jerry Slack

Row 2: Harold Susunon, Dickey Hedges, Robert Reynolds, Don Goodall, Phil King, Kent Durbin, David Elmore

Row 3: Phil Dolbert, Francis Harder, Don Taylor, Jerry Rau, John Thomas, Wayne Williams, Darrell LaMonte, Dan Trenkle

The M Club is made up of boys in high school who have won a major letter playing on the varsity team of a high school sport.

The club has two main purposes it is trying to achieve:

1. To let the varsity team of every sport get together.
2. To promote and improve school spirit and sportsmanship in our high school.

The boys in the club were very active this year. They sold popcorn at all football and basketball games that were played at home.

As one of their first activities, the club organized a volley-ball tournament for all the high school boys. They later sponsored a basketball tournament for boys especially those who didn't get to play on the high school team.

The boys used their money from selling popcorn to take a trip to Chicago. They saw professional hockey and wrestling. The two coaches, Mr. Jerry Slack and Mr. Leo Bray, went on the trip. The boys also invited the government teacher, Mr. Duane Gronau, and Mr. Rex Minnie of Farmer City, who owns the popcorn machine the M Club used during the year.

## OFFICERS

President . . . . . Don Taylor  
 Vice-President . . . . . Robert Reynolds  
 Secretary and Treasurer . . . . . David Elmore  
 Student Council . . . . . Dude Goodall  
 Sergeant-at-Arms . . . . . John Thomas



# GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

... sportsmanship is paramount

## OFFICERS



Row 1, left to right Miss Phyllis Grosh, Jean Price, Mary Jean Smith, Nancy Simpson, Jeanne Koontz, Kathy Beasley, Frances Wheeler  
Row 2, Carolyn Hieronymus, Mary Lou Wells.

President .....Nancy Simpson  
Vice-President .....Jeanne Koontz  
Secretary .....Mary Jean Smith  
Treasurer .....Kathy Beasley  
Adviser.....

Point Chairman.....Jean Price  
Intramural Chairman...Carolyn Hieronymus  
Parliamentarian .....Mary Lou Wells  
Student Council.....Frances Wheeler  
Miss Phyllis Grosh

Members of G.A.A. started out a new year "on the ball". The two regular meetings a week were spent in playing softball. Later in the fall, the girls spent one evening downtown bowling and the other regular meeting playing volleyball. So much enthusiasm was shown in these volleyball games that a tournament was held. The teams were divided according to classes and the Seniors proved to be the superior team. Another volleyball tournament was scheduled for noon meetings. This time four teams were appointed. The winner was to be the team that captured two out of three games. A tie resulted from the tournament and was played off in a heated game.

The winter months were spent in playing basketball. More floor-burns, bruises, and aching bones developed out of these basketball games than a game between Army and Navy. Tumbling and softball ended the season.

The G.A.A. sparkled with many outside activities. The beginning swimmers splashed to

their hearts content in the Clintons' Y.M.C.A. "Lake" on Monday nights during the months of September, October and November.

On September 15, G.A.A. members interested, hiked to Jessie Mae Warren's for a cookout. They enjoyed their delicious meal of goulash, hot chocolate, and jelly twists. After devouring this meal the members journeyed back to town.

The huge, colorful float constructed by the G.A.A. for Homecoming was entitled "Ar-gy'lls' Will Sock Em". Shaped from chicken wire and stuffed with white napkins, this sock made a linking foot in the Homecoming parade.

Farmer City's G.A.A. held a play day in the fall. The theme was written on the east wall of the gym in fall colored leaves. Several neighboring towns attended and competed with us in basketball, volleyball, badminton, and tumbling. Everyone enjoyed a program in the gym before departing for home.



## ... G. A. A. member in action

### TUMBLING



Row 1, left to right: Bettie Thomas, Mary Lou Wells, Cardenia Wilson.

Row 2 Elizabeth Nowlin, Carolyn Curtis, Charlotte Sawyer, Anne Frederickson, Janet Elmore, Carolyn Baker, Kathleen Isaacs.

### BASKETBALL



Row 1, left to right: Roberta Jones, Carolyn Hieronymus, Dorothy DeVault, Jackie Roberson, Jeanne Koontz, Linda Stagen, Sally Pierce.

### HOCKEY



Row 1, left to right: Janet Hester, Nancy Engel, Judy Johnson, Becky Wheeler, Donna McCartney, Jean Price, Jessie Mae Warren, Judy Anderson.

### SOFTBALL



Row 1, left to right: Frances Wheeler, Mary Jean Smith, Linda Gibbs, Nancy Shaw, Mary Parr, Sylvia Stoughton.

### BADMINTON



Row 1, left to right: Martha Rittenhouse, Mary Seibert, Nancy Simpson, John Lemon, Ruth McIntyre, Kathy Beasley.

### VOLLEYBALL



Row 1, left to right: Joyce Hendren, Arvilla Dawson, Jo Alice Flint, Lois Walker, Phyllis Turpin, Cheryl Herrick, Susanne Flint, Shirley Wheeler, Doris Shaffer.

# VISUAL AIDS

... lights, action, camera



Left to right: Mr. Duane Gronau, Larry Hoffman, Kent Durbin, Jim Ruckman

The Visual Aids Club quickly got underway this year with Mr. Duane Gronau as advisor. Jim Ruckman was chosen President, Kent Durbin was Vice-President, and Larry Hoffman was elected Secretary.

The chief duty of the club is to show films for all the classes in both the Junior and Senior High School. The boys in the organization operate and maintain the movie projector, slide and strip projector, and the recording machine.

In December, the club made a trip to Decatur. There they saw the W.T.V.P. television station in operation and gained a better understanding of the methods by which films are shown over television.

## OFFICERS

President ..... Jim Ruckman  
Vice-President ..... Kent Durbin  
Secretary ..... Larry Hoffman  
Advisor ..... Mr. D. Gronau

A trip was made to the Visual Aid Center at the University of Illinois this spring. The club members saw the care and preparation of the thousands of films in the Visual Aid Department.

This trip also included a visit to a movie theater at a time when one of the new type films, such as cinemascope, was being shown. The purpose of the whole trip was to acquaint the members with the newest procedures and improvements in the field of movies or visual aids.

As a special service, the boys showed movies during the noon hour at various times in the year. An admission of five cents was charged in order to cover the cost of the film rental.



Row 1, left to right: Leslie Parker, Johnny Thomas, Merle Clark, Jerry Rau, Mr. Duane Gronau.  
Row 2: Jim Ruckman, John Thurber, Kristen Lawson, Darrell LaMonte, Kent Durbin.  
Row 3: Cloyd Howe, David Lewis, Bill Wells, Larry Thomas, Don Goodall, Larry Hoffman.



# INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLUB

... up on industrial technology



Row 1, left to right, Lyndon Short, Jerry Wright, Mike Trenkle, David Frederickson, Ralph Jones, Tommy Bealer, Mr. John Edwards.  
 Row 2: Harold Sosamon, Dick Hedges, Frank Williams, Tom Healea, Dick Reynolds, Dick Oakley.  
 Row 3: Oris Miller, Bill Wells, Francis Harder, Darrell LaMonte, Don Goodall, Fred Reynolds, David Elmore.  
 Row 4: Jim Hammer, Jim Anderson, Wayne Williams, Weldon Fogal, John Thurber, Jim Ruckman, Jim Reynolds.

On September 25, 1953, twenty-six people joined the Industrial Arts Club. The election of officers was held and the following were elected: Weldon Fogal, President; Bill Wells, Vice-President; Ace Williams, Secretary-Treasurer; Harold Sosamon, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The club held a skating party October 17, 1953, at Bloomington for its members.

The Industrial Arts Club holds its meetings

in the industrial arts building. Projects for the year have been the making of wooden benches for the locker rooms and other smaller articles which are to be sold at an auction near the end of school.

In our meetings we talk about ways to improve our school like building benches to be placed under some of the trees in back of the school building.

## OFFICERS

President ..... Weldon Fogal  
 Vice President ..... Bill Wells  
 Secretary-Treasurer ... Wayne Williams  
 Sergeant-at-Arms ..... Harold Sosamon  
 Advisor ..... Mr. John Edwards

Seated: Wayne Williams, Mr. John Edwards, Weldon Fogal.

Standing: Harold Sosamon, Bill Wells.





## OWL STAFF

... we leave the "last remark" to you

The Owl Staff got off to an early start this year under the capable guidance of Miss Elaine Dickson. The following staff was chosen:

Editor ..... Rex Crago  
 Assistant Editor ..... Jessie Mae Warren  
 Business Manager ..... Darrel LaMonte  
 Circulation and Promotion Manager ..... Jean Price  
 Advertising Manager ..... Donald Goodall  
 Sports Editor ..... Don Taylor  
 Art Editor ..... Joan Leemon  
 Activity Editor ..... Shirley Wheeler  
 Special Feature Editor ..... Doris Shaffer  
 Class Editor ..... Nancy Simpson  
 Club Editor ..... Betty Lou Hoffman  
 Photography Editor ..... Jim Ruckman

The faculty advisors were Miss Elaine Dickson and Mr. Lawrence E. Smith.

One of the first decisions to be made was that of which photographer to have. Representatives

from Hawkins Studios and from Blankenburg Photographers presented their offers. Blankenburg was chosen after much consideration.

A few weeks later, Miss Dickson, Jessie Mae Warren, Jean Price, and Rex Crago went to the annual IHSPA (Illinois High School Press Association) Convention in Champaign. Yearbook ideas were exchanged among the schools represented and several printing and cover companies had displays for inspection.

The idea of having Huston-Patterson as the printer originated at the IHSPA Convention and was later accepted by the Owl Staff.

The Owl Staff held their meetings every Wednesday night at 7:00 P. M. in Miss Dickson's room. It was at these meetings that the staff worked, cursed, sweated, and slaved in order to produce an annual of high quality. When the path became rough, the department editors called in their numerous assistants to aid them.

Left to right: Mr. L. E. Smith, Darrel LaMonte, Rex Crago, Jessie Mae Warren, Miss Elaine Dickson.

### Owl Staff Heads





... people behind the scenes



## Owl Staff Editors

Row 1, left to right: Jessie Mae Warren, Jean Price, Joan Leemon, Betty Lou Hoffman, Miss E. Dickson, Rex Crago.

Row 2: Doris Shaffer, Shirley Wheeler, Don Goodall, Darrell LaMonte, Nancy Simpson, Don Taylor, Jim Ruckman.

## Owl Staff Editors and Committees



Row 1, left to right: Nancy Simpson, Phyllis Turpin, Sally Pierce, Carolyn Hieronymus, Doris Shaffer, Roberta Jones.

Row 2: Jean Price, Don Goodall, Rex Crago, Miss Elaine Dickson, Jessie Mae Warren, Jim Ruckman, Darrell LaMonte.

Row 3: Shirley Wheeler, Dorothy West, Susanne Flint, Norma Scarborough, Harold Soman, Betty Lou Hoffman, Mariam Meredith, Joan Leemon.

Row 4: Kenny Keown, Dick Oakley, Wayne Williams, Jerry Rau, Don Taylor, Johnny Thomas, Dan Trenkle, Francis Harder, Larry Thomas, Eldon Lamb.

# THE TATTLER

... busy with the dust pan collecting dirt



## Tattler Staff

Row 1, left to right: Arvilla Mae Dawson, Shirley Wheeler, Mr. L. Connolly, Jeanne Koontz, Dick Workman.

Row 2: Dick Oakley, Frank Workman, Dorothy West, Dorene Clark, Sara Maxwell, Eldon Lamb, Don Goodall.

Each year the school newspaper is edited by the class that wishes to have the paper. This year the fifth hour Senior English Class voted and accepted the responsibility of editing the school paper. "The Tattler" is handed out before every holiday. It contains various items of interest such as: class news; gossip; sport news; club activity; jokes; puzzles; and any other feature of current interest.

Each member of the class is given an assignment in the various sections of the paper. After all the news is assembled, a group of the girls in the class type stencils of the paper. The entire class works together in mimeographing and stapling together the school paper.

Under the able guidance of Mr. L. E. Connolly, "The Tattler" has been very interesting and entertaining this year.

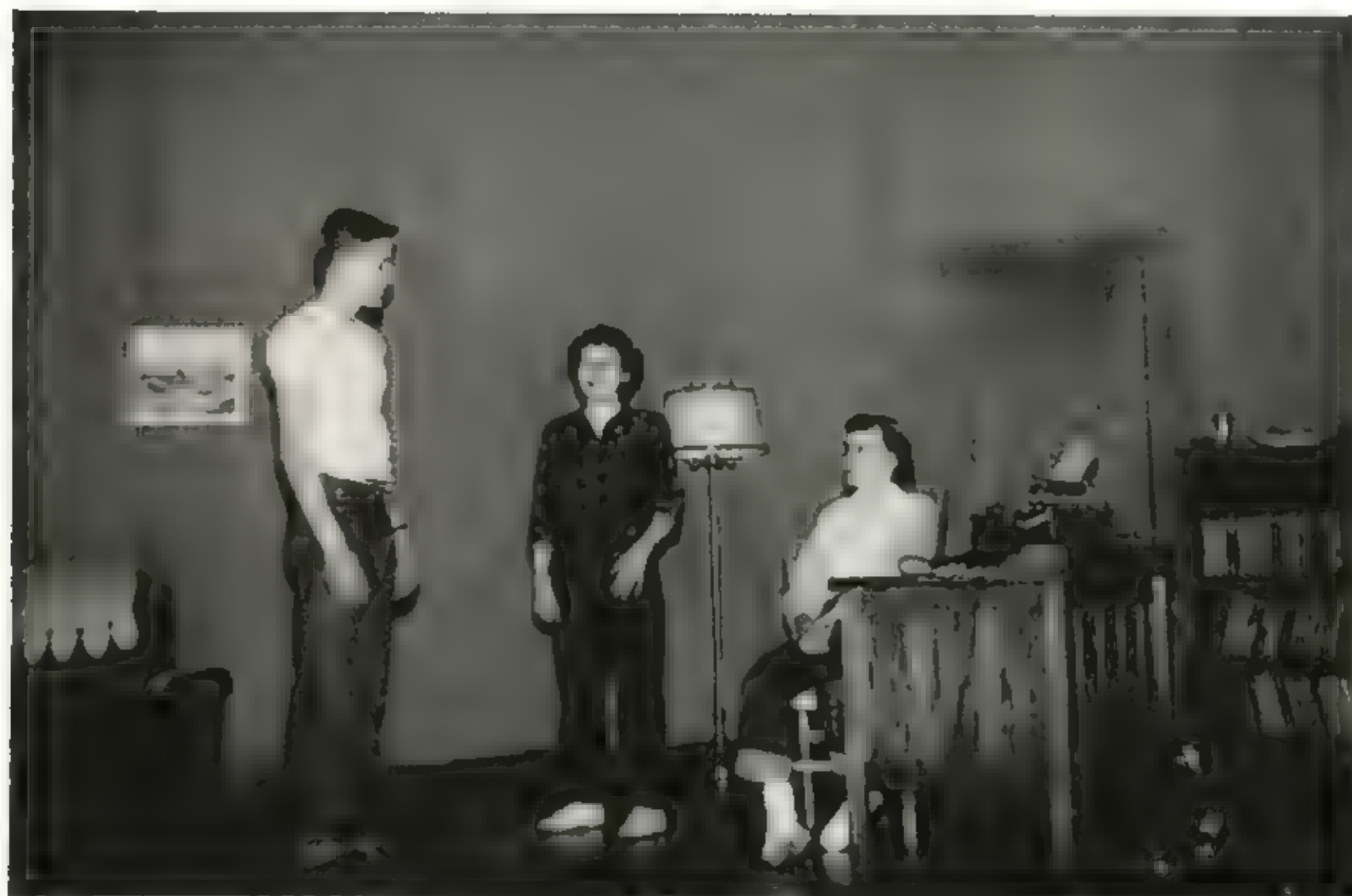
The following is a list of the staff:

<i>Music Department</i> .....	Norma Scarbrough
<i>Sports</i> .....	Shirley Wheeler
<i>Gossip</i> .....	Dorene Clark
<i>Boys' Clubs</i> .....	Frank Workman
<i>Features</i> .....	Sara Maxwell
<i>Freshmen and Sophomores</i> ..	Don Goodall
<i>Girls' Clubs</i> .....	Jeanne Koontz
<i>Juniors and Seniors</i> .....	Dick Oakley
<i>Circulation</i> .....	Eldon Lamb
<i>News</i> .....	Dot West
<i>Advisor</i> .....	Mr. L. E. Connolly



# SENIOR PLAY

*... a comedy in three acts*



## "Quiet Summer"

The Senior Class of 1954, under the direction of Mr. L. E. Connolly, presented "Quiet Summer," a comedy in three acts, Friday, March 26, in the high school gym at 8:00 p. m. Admission was \$.65 and \$.35.

"Quiet Summer" was a fast-moving, rollicking comedy with an interesting and amusing plot based on James Clark, a bachelor who was a lawyer by profession and an uncle by chance. Clark's niece and nephew came to visit him and his normal, conservative routine became quite complicated. The teen-agers got involved in his affairs and completely took over supplying numerous adventures and surprises. All this and much more was presented in a swift and humorous manner in "Quiet Summer."

Assisting Mr. Connolly in direction of the play was Carolyn Hieronymus, who was the student director.

The main characters in the play were: Dan Trenkle as James Clark, Lois Walker as Pamala Young, Rex Crago as Sonny Young, and Shirley Wheeler as Helen Russell.

The supporting characters were: Sally Pierce as Mrs. Lillian Young, Wayne Williams as Mr. Clifford Young, Don Taylor as Bill Henley, Nancy Simpson as Carrie, Dorothy West as Jeanie Day, Joan Leemon as Betsy Harrison, Jean Price as Harriet Morgan, Kenny Keown as Mr. Henry Morgan, Roberta Jones as Ester Hamilton, Walter Torbert as Tony, John Thomas as Mr. Leslie Gardner, Eldon Lamb as Tubby Pitts, Betty Hoffman as Frances Shaughnessy and Mariam Meredith as Fredericka Collins.

Since it takes more than actors to put on a play, and everyone cannot be in the play, credit should be given to the committees who worked hard and faithfully to present a successful play. The Committees were: Tickets, Doris Shaffer and Susanne Flint; Properties, Chairman Jessie Mae Warren, Don Goodall, Sara Maxwell, and Robert Reynolds; Publicity, Co-chairmen Darrell LaMonte and Dick Oakley, Jim Hammer, Francis Harder, Jean Koontz, Jim Reynolds, Richard Sprague and Bill Wells; Stage, Jerry Rau and Jim Ruckman; Ushers, Dorene Clark, Arvilla Dawson, Norma Scarbrough, and Phyllis Turpin.



# MOORE HIGH SCHOOL BAND

## BAND ROSTER

### CLARINETS

Mariam Meredith  
 Bettie Thomas  
 Sylvia Stoughton  
 Jim Ruckman  
 Jeanette Hillis  
 Jane Brownlee  
 Linda Welton  
 Beverly Swigart  
 Sharon Harder  
 Judy Warren  
 Jim Herrick

### CORNETS

Kathryn Swartz

Larry Welton

Judy Anderson  
 Kathleen Isaacs  
 Maxine Healea  
 Donna Harder

### FLUTES

Elizabeth Nowlin  
 Cheryl Herrick  
 Judy Kelley  
 Nancy Brownlee

### PERCUSSION

Kristen Lawson  
 Dorene Clark  
 Bonnie Duff





## *... brings good music to Farmer City*

Susan Herrick  
Suzie Stutzman  
Dixie Owens

### BASSES

Larry Hoffman  
Curtis Rau  
Leroy Ester

### BARITONES

Rex Crago  
David Lewis

### SAXOPHONES

Deanna Durbin

Carolyn Curtis  
Virginia Sprague

### FRENCH HORN

Beverly Grimes

### TROMBONE

Carolyn Hieronymus

### BASSOON

Linda Hieronymus

### OBOE

Myrna Maxwell



Mr. Arthur Middledsted  
Director

# ENSEMBLES

... developing the art of good music



## BRASS ENSEMBLE

*Seated, left to right:* Kathleen Isaacs, Judy Anderson, Kathryn Swartz.

*Standing, left to right:* Carolyn Hieronymus, Larry Hoffman, Rex Crago, Beverly Grimes.



## WOODWIND ENSEMBLE



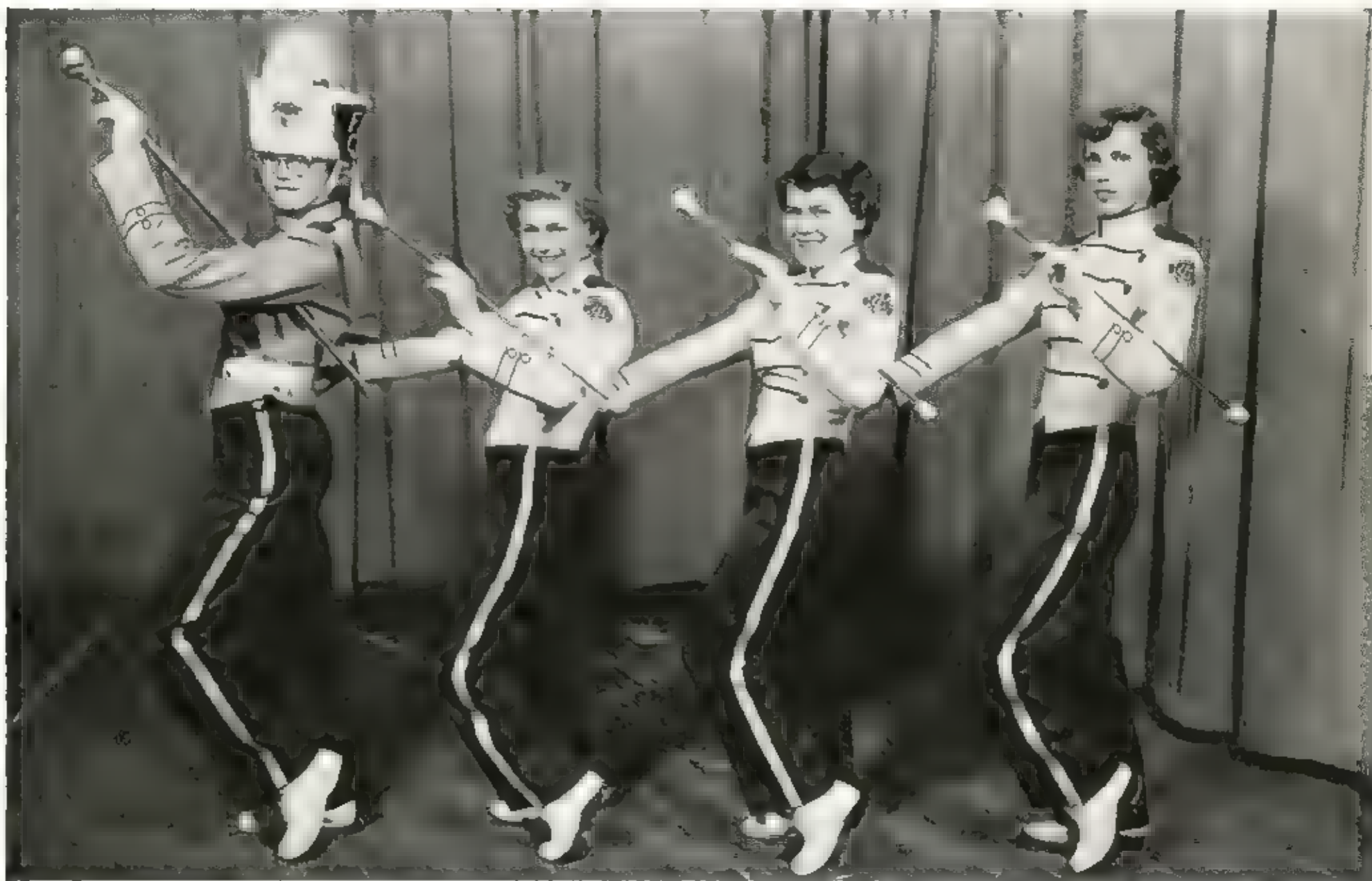
*Seated, left to right:* Cheryl Herrick, Myrna Maxwell.

*Standing, left to right:* Beverly Grimes, Linda Hieronymus, Mariam Meredith.



## TWIRLERS

... the showpiece of the band



Dorene Clark, Roberta Jones, Nancy Simpson, Jessie Mae Warren.

Under the direction of Mr. Arthur Middlested, the band was very active this year. The band played for all home football and basketball games. The twirlers performed with the band at football games and at several basketball games.

On January 22, Mr. Middlested and the band presented a light, popular concert to the whole school. Featured were the "Bunny Hop" and "St. George and the Dragonet."

February 3, marked the day that the Farmer City Band participated in the DeWitt County Band Festival at Weldon Junior High, Wapella, Clinton and Kenny.

The Spring Concert was given February 19. The first half was very formal and dignified. When the curtains opened after the intermission, all the band members were wearing loud, flashy, costumes. Mr. Middlested, as well, wore a loud outfit. "St. George and the Dragonet" and "The Bunny Hop" with the cheerleaders and twirlers performing, were the main numbers of the second half. This was the first year that such a varied program was given. The audience approved greatly of such a program.



## GLEE CLUBS

... our answer to Fred Waring

### FIRST HOUR GLEE CLUB



Row 1, left to right: Dorothy DeVault, Carolyn Baker, Nancy Simpson, Roberta Jones.

Row 2: Dorothy West, Ruth Ann McIntyre, Sylvia Savage, Gardenia Wilson, Mary Beasley, Betty Lou Hoffman.

Row 3: Janet Hoffman Bontrager, Judy Dawson, Mary Lou Wells, Mary Ruth Scarbrough, Barbara Marvin Pat Brannock, Miss Gwen Newbauer.

Row 4: Carol Stiger, Donna McCartney, Beverly Cadle, Joyce Stiger, Marie Torbert, Mary Seibert, Janet Elmore, Dorothy Stiles.



*... in the mood for singing*

FIFTH HOUR GLEE CLUB



Row 1, left to right Janet Heister, Pat Newberry, Anne Frederickson, Susie Oakley.  
Row 2 Joyce Hendren, Jean Price, Linda Gibbs, Nancy Shaw, Bettie Thomas, Carolyn Curtis  
Row 3 Sally Pierce, Joan Looman, Dixie Owens, Miss Gwen Newbauer, Frances Wheeler, Carolyn Hieronymus, Becky Wheeler  
Row 4 Jackie Roberson, Judy Anderson, Cheryl Herrick, Jessie Mae Warren, Charlotte Chaney, Elizabeth Nowlin, Judy Johnson

Early in the fall the vocal music department started tuning up its vocal cords for the annual Christmas Program. The program, held December 19, 1953, in the gymnasium, was a variety of many dramatized popular songs and the traditional Christmas Carols.

Again this year, our glee clubs participated in the County Music Festival. The other choruses participating were Weldon Junior High, Wapella, Clinton, and Kenney. A group of numbers were selected by the music instructors of the county to

be sung in the program at Clinton on March 16, 1954.

A hilarious and colorful minstrel show was given again this year. The members of the boy's chorus acted as the end men and kept the show rolling. Several other novelty numbers were given by the ensembles and glee club members.

The Parent-Teachers Association was honored to have the vocal and instrumental music departments provide an exceptional program.



## BOYS' GLEE CLUB

*Row 1, left to right:* Steve Wheeler, Tom Bealor, Kenny Keown, Harold Sosamon, Leroy Borton, Melvin Reynolds, Lyndon Short.

*Row 2:* Larry Thomas, Buddy Hooser, Phil Rous, Janet Hoffman Bontrager, Miss Gwen Newbauer, Dick Oakley, Tom Tobin.

*Row 3:* Frank Workman, John Callaway, Kent Durbin, Jimmy Lashbrook, Roy Scarbrough, Oris Miller, Darrell LaMonte, David Elmore.

*Row 4:* Carl Swallow, Wayne Williams, Leslie Parker, Fred Peters, Bill Peters, Don Taylor, Bernard Brooks, Richard Sprague.



## GIRLS' ENSEMBLE

*Row 1, left to right:* Joyce Stiger, Janet Elmore, Dorothy West, Carolyn Hieronymus, Carol Stiger.

*Row 2:* Jenn Price, Mary Seifert, Janet Hoffman Bontrager, Miss Gwen Newbauer, Betty Lou Hoffman, Jessie Mae Warren.



## BOYS' ENSEMBLE

*Row 1, left to right:* Miss Gwen Newbauer, Kenny Keown, Kent Durbin, Leroy Borton, Janet Hoffman Bontrager.

*Row 2:* Oris Miller, Carl Swallow, Leslie Parker, Don Taylor, David Elmore, Buddy Hooser.



## MIXED ENSEMBLE

Row 1, left to right: Larry Thomas, Sally Pierce, Darrell LaMonte, Roy Dale Scarbrough, Mary Kathryn Beasley, Melvin Reynolds.

Row 2: Miss Gwen Newbauer, Sylvia Savage, Richard Sprague, Ruth Ann McIntyre, Janet Hoffman Bontrager.



## EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS' CHORUS

Row 1, left to right: Jeannette Hillis, Sue Turpin, Miss Gwen Newbauer, Linda Hieronymus, Deanna Durbin.

Row 2: Beverly Grimes, Myrna Flannagan, Kathryn Swartz, Elfrieda Stensel, Jane Stagen, Pat Hendren.

Row 3: Betty Wilson, Madeline McCord, Kathryn Fogal, Sandra Swallow, LaDonna Thompson.



## SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS' CHORUS

Row 1, left to right: Linda Welton, Joan Dawson, Luella Young, Pauline Heflin, Joan Clow, Judy Robison.

Row 2: Audrey Lamb, Janet Sue Gee, Ann White, Diane LaMonte, Rosa Cornell.

Row 3: Ellen Tharp, Jane Brownlev, Joyce McHenry, Betty Newberry, Sandra Dye, Marilyn White, Suzie Stutzman, Miss Gwen Newbauer.

Row 4: Bonnie Duff, Joy Wheeler, Linda Wilson, Janet Shaw, Judy King, Shirley Stevens, Sandra Sullivan, Elaine Adams.



# HOMECOMING

## ... Moore High School's answer to the Mardi Gras

Scene from "Julia Caesar"



Scene from "Julia Caesar"



Cheerleaders



One of the first and most important activities of the school year is celebrating Homecoming. Each class and club is expected to construct a float which is exhibited in the Homecoming Parade during the afternoon preceding the game.

The parade was scheduled this year for October 16 and school was dismissed at noon to enable the clubs and classes to complete their respective floats.

The parade presented a great pageantry of color and splendor led by the High School Band and twirlers. After the parade, the floats were judged by Marshall Collier, Minnie Bell Wells, and Ossie Stensel. The Sophomores won first with "Signals Won't Help Now"; the Freshmen received second place with "We'll Lick Saybrook"; third place went to the F.F.A. with "We're Laying For Saybrook". F.H.A. "canned" fourth place with "Farmers Can Commanches"; fifth place went to the Seventh Grade with "We'll Feast On Saybrook Tonight".

The triumphant victory of the Farmer City "Farmers" over Saybrook fired the Homecoming spirit.

The Homecoming gaiety was climaxed with a program presented by the Seniors following the game. The program included a riotous comedy given by the College English Class, "Julia Caesar"; solos sung by Don Taylor and Kathy Beasley; and Fred Peters played his ukulele.

A dance followed the program. Music was furnished by Guy Lombardo, Sammy Kaye, Tommy Dorsey, and Spike Jones—by transcription.



Farmers Can Comanches (FHA)

They'll Get It in the End (IA)



Comanche's Last Stand (Juniors)

We'll Feast on Saybrook Tonight (7th)



Signals Won't Help Now (Sophomores)

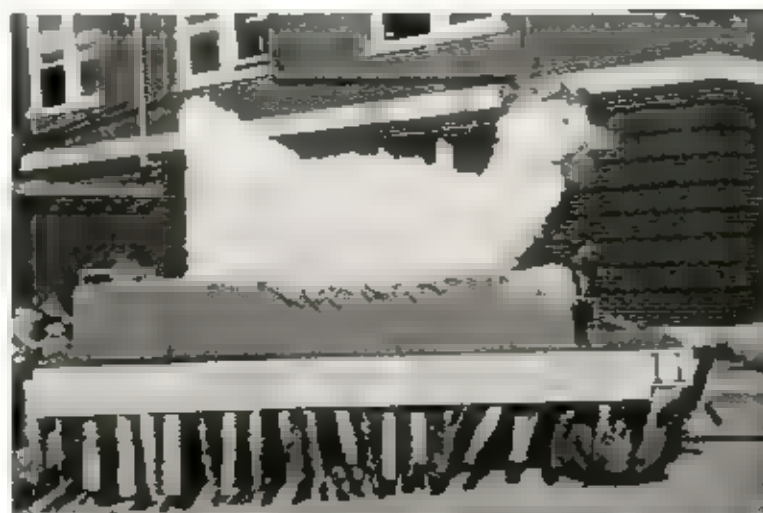


Hopping to Victory (Seniors)



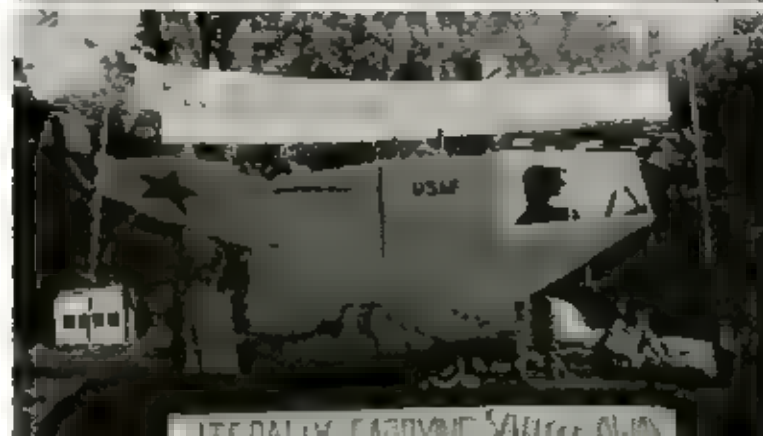
We're Laying for Saybrook (FFA)

The Farmers Have the Steam (Jr. FHA)



Literally Carrying Saybrook Away (8th)

Argyles Will Sock 'Um (GAA)



# STUNT SHOW

... a highlight of the school year



WINNING STUNT — SENIOR CLASS  
"McGillyfuddy Writes Home"

November 20 climaxed three weeks of preparatory action for students of Moore High. This marked the night of the annual Stunt Show, an event anticipated by townspeople and students alike. For Seniors it was one of those "last" affairs; for Freshmen, only the beginning.

The gala evening began with four stunts, one presented by each class. The Seniors took first place with "McGillyfuddy Writes Home", starring Don Taylor and Rex Crago. "Here Today, Gone Tomorrow", Sophomore presentation copped second place honors. The main characters were Phil Rous, Tony Cadle, and LeRoy Borton. "The Hollywood Tattler", presented by the Freshmen won third place recognition. "Ad-

vernet", the Junior T.V. "take-off" was rated fourth by the judges.

Following the stunts, the evening was climaxed by the coronation and a dance. Queen, Jessie Mae Warren, dressed in a white ballerina formal, was escorted to the throne by the King, Dan Trenkle. The attendants were: Seniors, Shirley Wheeler and Jim Hammer; Juniors, Linda Stagen and Bill Rittenhouse; Sophomores, Mary Jean Smith and John Thurber; and Freshmen, Carolyn Baker and Buddy Hooser. The King and Queen were crowned by last year's King and Queen, Leland Junkert and Annette Price.

Music was furnished by Wayne Karr and his orchestra.

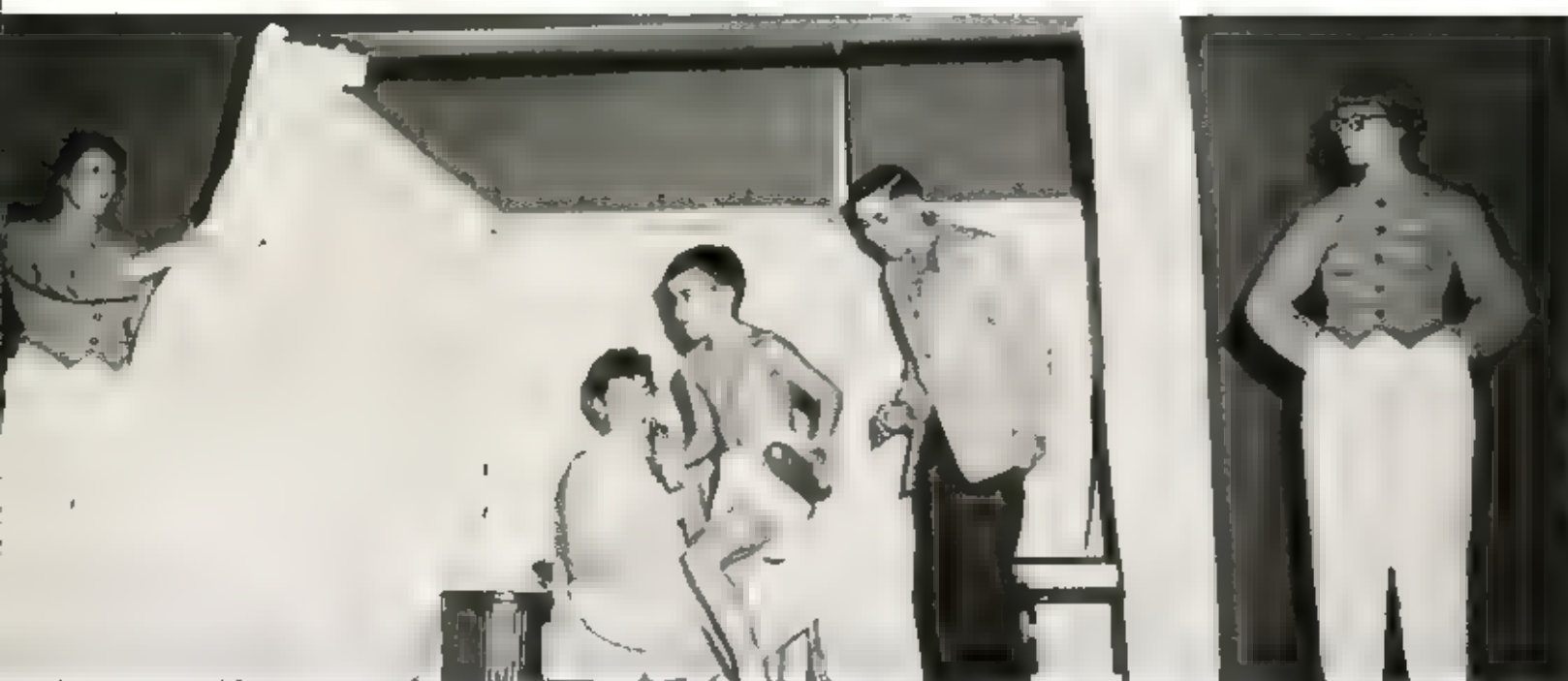




"ADVERNET" — Junior Stunt



"HERE TODAY, GONE TOMORROW" — Sophomore Stunt



"THE HOLLYWOOD TATTLER" — Freshman Stunt



## **KING AND QUEEN**

**Jessie Mae Warren and Dan Trenkle**

*... charm and beauty receiving a just reward*



**. . . the court and attendants**

**faithfully serve their majesties**

MR. AND MISS SENIOR

MR. AND MISS JUNIOR



Shirley Wheeler and Jim Hammer



Linda Stagen and Bill Rittenhouse

MR. AND MISS SOPHOMORE

MR. AND MISS FRESHMAN



Mary Jean Smith and John Thurber



Carolyn Baker and Buddy Hooser

# JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

*... handsome men, pretty girls,  
flowers, and a dance in the dark*

SENORS ET SENORITAS



Row 1, left to right: Fred Reynolds, Kent Darbin, Bill Rittenhouse, Delmar Thom.

Row 2: Weldon Fogal, Larry Gee, Dave Elmore, Phil Dolbert.

Row 3: Janet Hoffman, Linda Stagen, Kathy Bensley, Dorothy Stiles.

Row 4: Mary Seifert, Sylvia Savage, Ruth McIntyre, Ruby Wilson.

At the Junior-Senior Prom, many students and guests witnessed the exchange of the hatchet and the burying of all feuds. Following the banquet served by sophomore senors and senioritas, dancing in a land of gay fiesta, and resting a bit in the "Dew Drop Inn", sent some out under the stars remembering their last Prom and others saying, "A job well done."





**... a dance in the dark**



**... gay fiesta**



**... a shot of the  
Dew Drop Inn**



# Annual Parade to Open Homecoming Activities at MHS

For Homecoming eve  
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**Jessie Mae Warren**  
**Good Citizen**

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**Homecoming For**

Oct. 15 Week

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## Information On New Elementary Bldg. Given By Price

At the special school called for Saturday, Dec. 1, the voters in Farmington community 10 wards cons sch

# Meet Le Final Game Of Grid Season

John Thorpe played the part of the

## CLASSES CHOOSE STUNT SHOW ACTS

**H. S. Students Plan Annual Stunt Show**

Friday, Nov. 13 in  
 gymnasium.  
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winners at MHS

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Miss Gwen Neubauer, vocal music instructor at Moore High School, will present her music program at a Christmas program at the school auditorium, Tuesday, Dec. 9 in the afternoon. The program will include

## Band to Accompany Team to Vie at State Meet

# Game With Paxton

The Farmers played the Saybrook-Arrowsmith Comanche football team at game here Frid won with a score

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# Hold Sangamon Valley Tournament Here Dec. 14-18

Athletic officials report all in readiness for the Sangamon Valley basketball tournament to be held in the local gym on December 15, 16, 17 and 18.

It is a 10 game schedule with Mansfield, Fisher, Lehigh, Deland-Welch and Springfield taking part.

**Future Home  
Conduct Drive  
Polio Funds**

**Open Tues.**

**PAST ...**

City players were Wel-  
attendant and Jerry Rau, for-  
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Hedges, substitutes.

## Band Participates In County Fete

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representative by Joseph Paulso.

**HEADLINES FROM THE PAST**

**Music Give Yule Program**

Miss Gwen Neubauer, vocal music instructor at Moore High school, will present her music program at 8 o'clock in a Christmas auditorium. Wednesday, Dec. 9 in the school auditorium. The program will include the best of grade four, the Octavia team of pupils, Wayne Jenkins with 50. All, forwards, G. Hedger, substitutes.

**Band Participation In County Fair**

**Band to Accompany  
Team to Vie at  
Game With Paxton**

The Farmers played the Saybrook-Arrowsmith Comanches football team at game here Friday won with a score of 20-0. In the first quarter Di West both

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Sports



COACH JERRY SLACK

### Coaching Staff

Jerry Slack.....Head Coach  
 Leo Bray.....Assistant Coach, football and basketball  
 Duane Gronau.....Assistant Coach, football  
 John Edwards.....Assistant Coach, football  
 Jerry Cavanaugh.....Junior High Coach



Jerry  
Cavanaugh



Leo  
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Duane  
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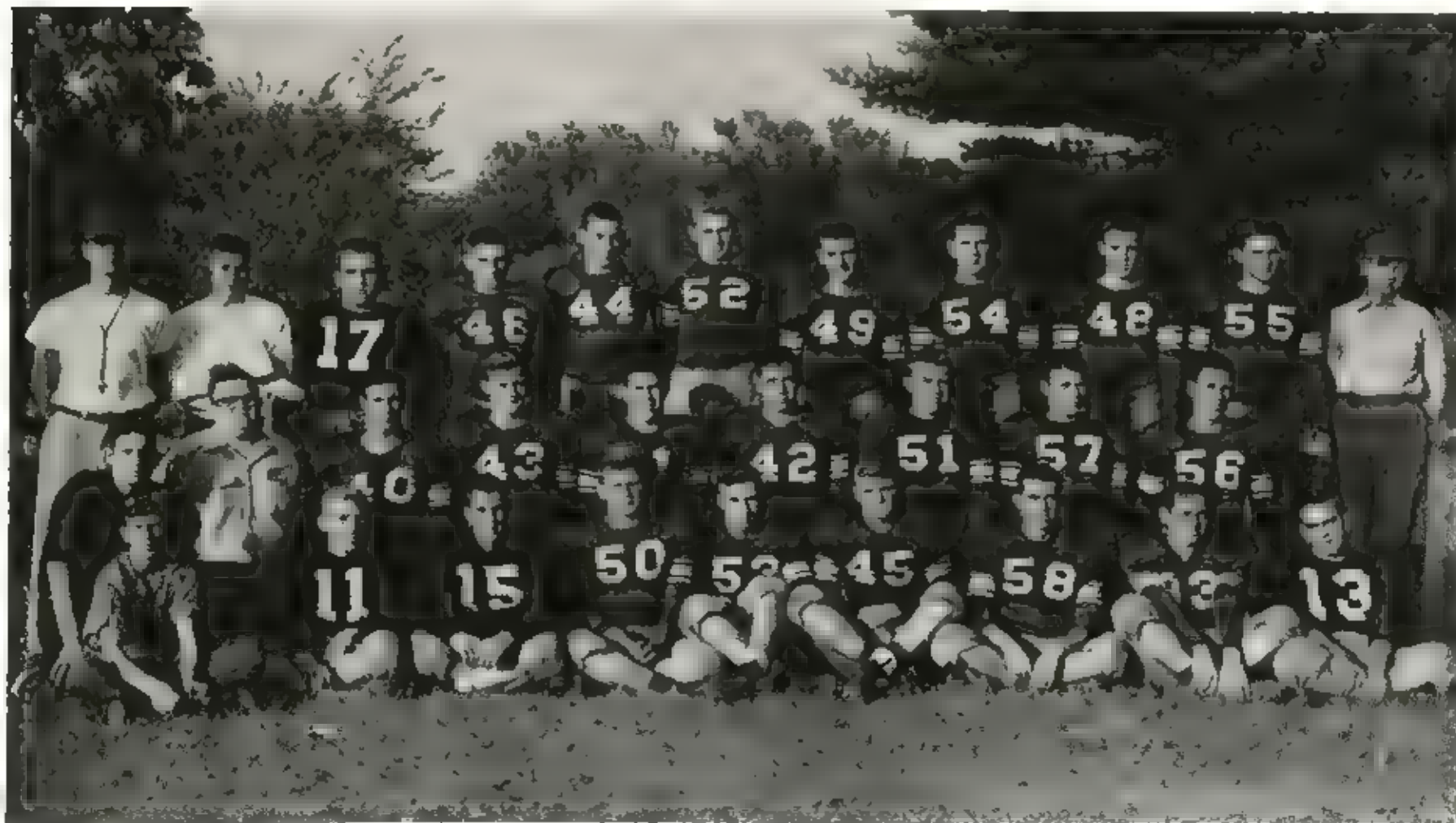


John  
Edwards



## ... football begins the season

### VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM



Row 1, left to right: Don Stimler, Frank Williams, Mike Trenkle, Kenny Keown, Jim Anderson, Buddy Hooser, Don Goodall, Dick Reynolds, Tom Bealor.

Row 2. Tony Cadle, Eldon Lamb, John West, Dick Hedges, Dick Oakley, Darrell LaMonte, Kent Durbin, Robert Reynolds, David Elmore.

Row 3. Mr. Jerry Slack, Dan Trenkle, Larry Hoffman, Francis Harder, Weldon Fogal, Wayne Williams, Johnny Thomas, Delmar Thom, Jerry Rau, Don Taylor.

### FOOTBALL CAPTAINS



Don Taylor, co-captain



Robert Reynolds, co-captain



Wayne Williams



Dick Reynolds

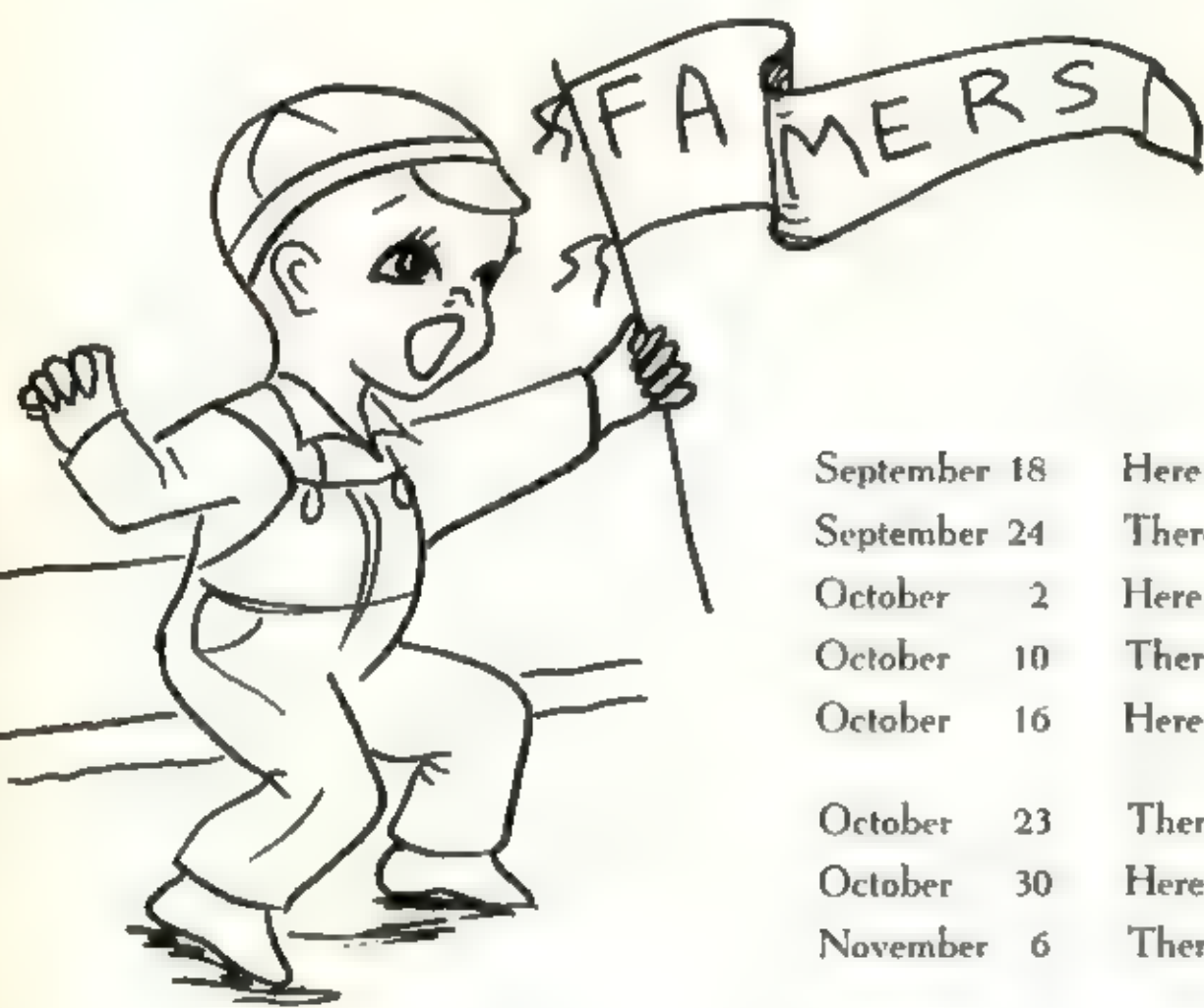


Kenny Keown



John West

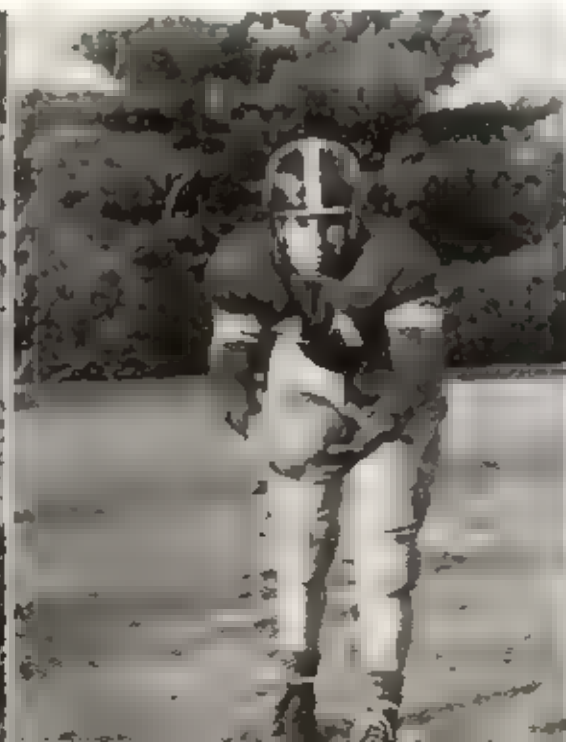
## Varsity Football Schedule 1953



September 18	Here	Farmer City 7	Bement 13
September 24	There	Gibson City 39	Farmer City 0
October 2	Here	Farmer City 0	Westville 0
October 10	There	Farmer City 26	Heyworth 6
October 16	Here	(Homecoming) Farmer City 39	Saybrook 0
October 23	There	Farmer City 14	Paxton 6
October 30	Here	Farmer City 20	Octavia 7
November 6	There	Farmer City 26	LeRoy 21



Francis Harder



Dick Oakley



Jerry Rau



Jim Anderson





Dude Goodall



David Elmore



Kent Durbin



Darrell LaMonte



Weldon Fogal



Buddy Hooser



Larry Hoffman



John Thomas



Delmar Thom



Dick Hedges

... our team in action



PAXTON — THERE

FRESHMAN - SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL TEAM



Row 1, left to right: Tony Cadle, Melvin Reynolds, Skip Stagen, Tommy Bealor, Donnie Merrifield, Dick Reynolds, Don Stimler.

Row 2: Lyndon Short, George Engel, Johnny West, Mike Trenkle, Frank Williams, Lyle Lindsey, David Lewis.

Row 3: Mr. Jerry Slack, Phil Rous, Robert Ashworth, Jim Anderson, John Thurber, Bill Walden, Bernard Brooks, Buddy Hooser, Mr. John Edwards.

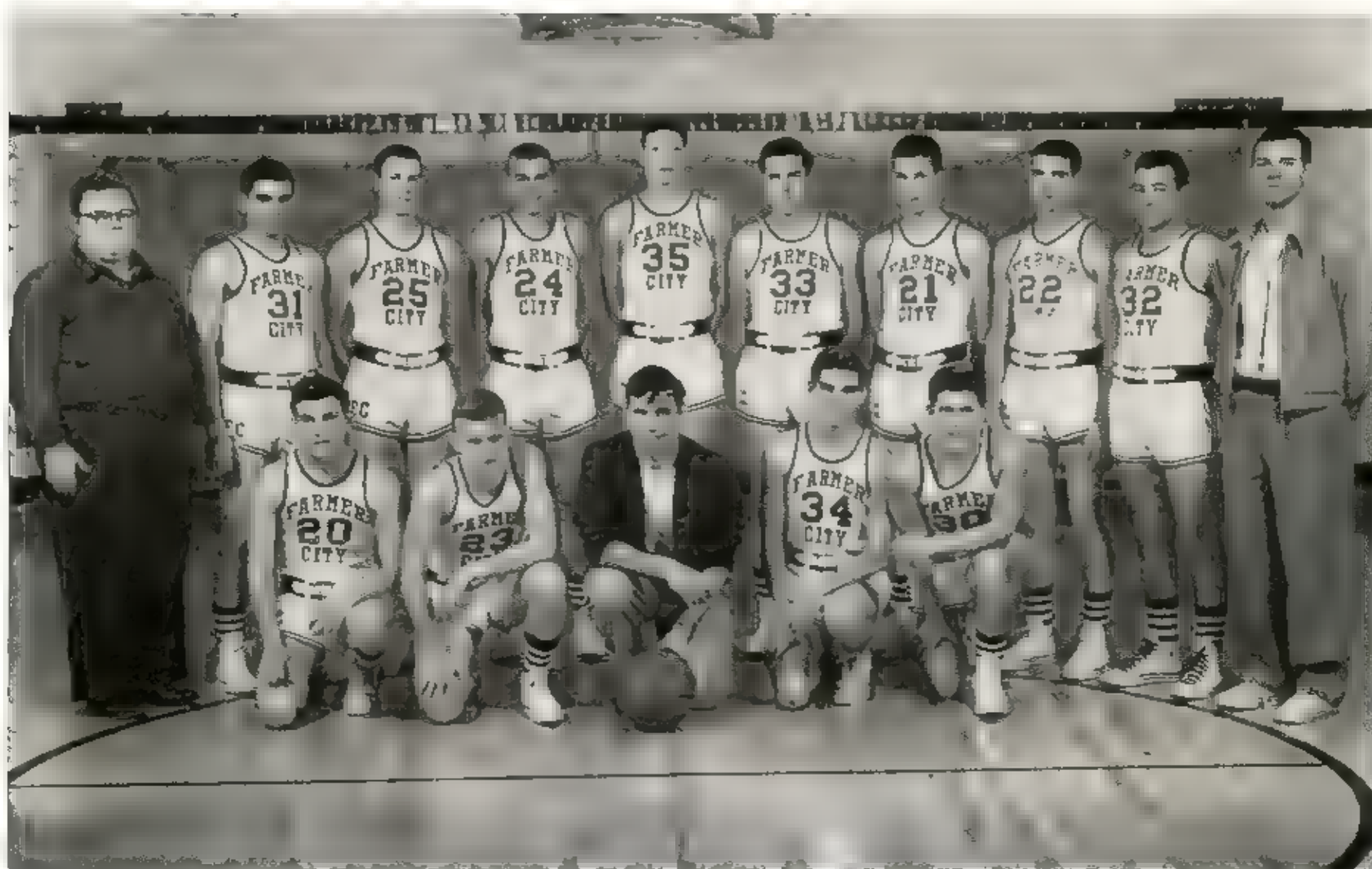


## . . . 1953-54 Basketball Team

### PEP SONG

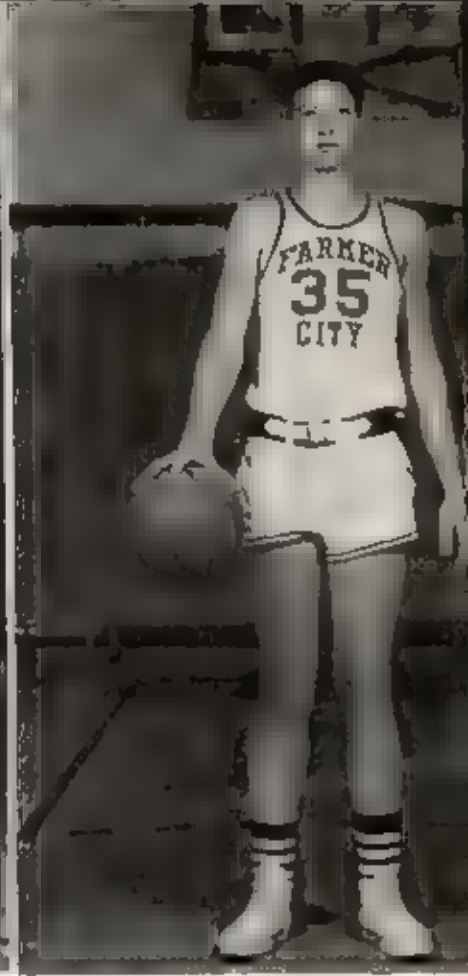
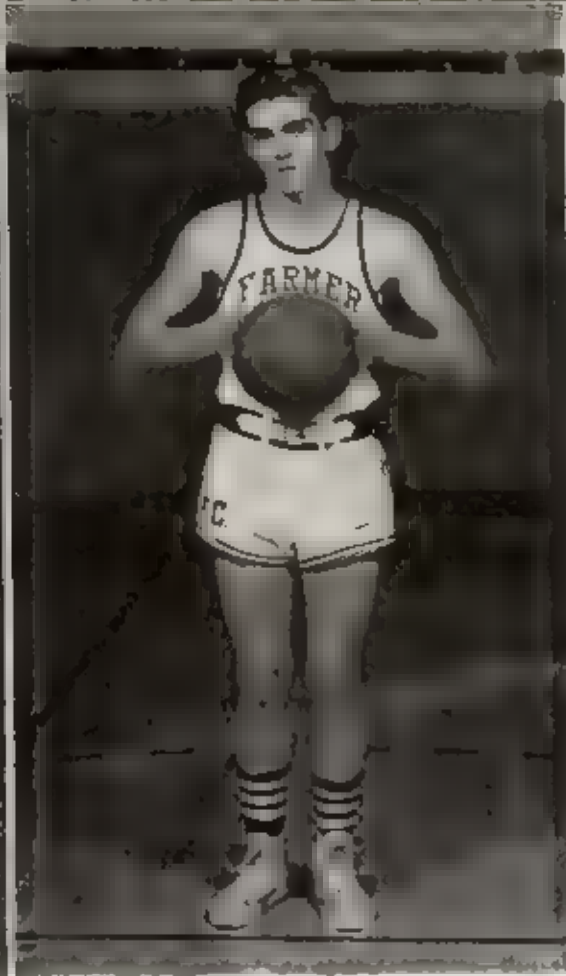
There's a cheer from the stands and the bleachers  
When we see our team run by.  
There's a yell from the students and teachers  
For the team of M. C. High.  
At the game you can tell why we all came  
Just to see them win each game.  
Who's the winner of each ball game?  
It's that M. C. H. S. Team.

### VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM



Row 1, left to right. Don Marvin, Dick Hedges, Darrell LaMonte, Walter Torbert, Dick Oakley.

Row 2: Eldon Lamb, Francis Harder, Jerry Rau, Wayne Williams, Tony Cadle, Delmar Thom, Weldon Fogel, John Thomas, Phil King, Mr. Jerry Slack.

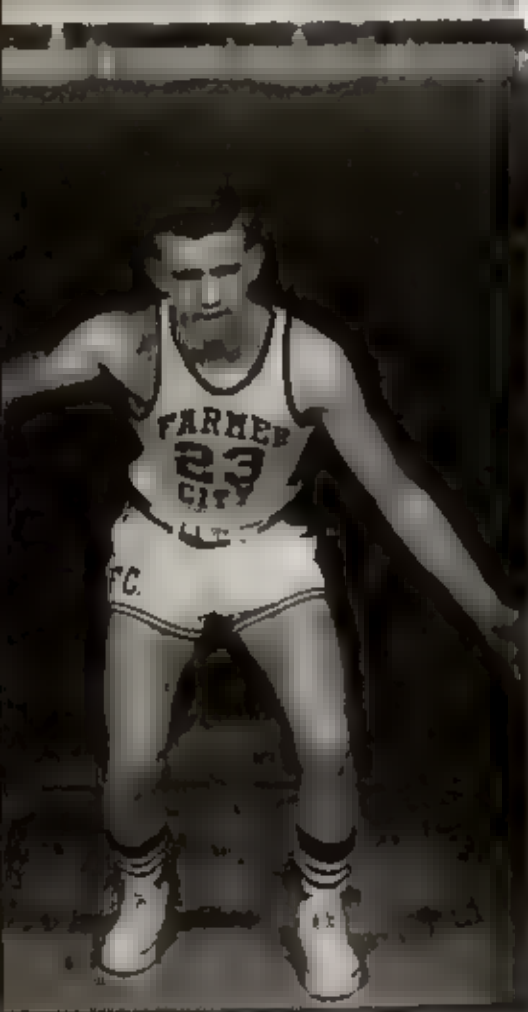


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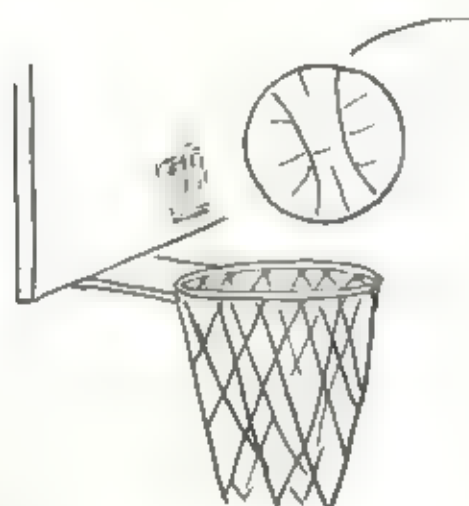
Phil  
King

Walter  
Torbert

Tony  
Cadle



Dick  
Hedges



## **VARSITY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE**

Nov. 20 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 43  
Maroa ..... 44

Nov. 24 *Here*  
Farmer City .. ..... 52  
LeRoy ..... 41

Dec. 4 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 46  
Octavia ..... 59

Dec. 11 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 37  
Deland-Weldon ..... 38

S V Tournament  
Dec. 14-18 *Here*  
Farmer City . . . . . 40  
Fisher ..... 30  
Farmer City ..... 50  
LeRoy ..... 52

Dec. 29 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 57  
Arcola ..... 62

Jan. 5 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 51  
Argenta ..... 45

Jan. 8 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 64  
Fisher ..... 58

Jan. 12 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 54  
Mahomet ..... 39

Jan. 15 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 44  
Rantoul ..... 66

Jan. 19 *Here*  
Farmer City . . . . . 60  
Bement ..... 52

Jan. 22 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 57  
Mansfield ..... 44

Jan. 23 *Here*  
Farmer City ... . . 53  
Champaign ..... 65

Wayne  
Williams



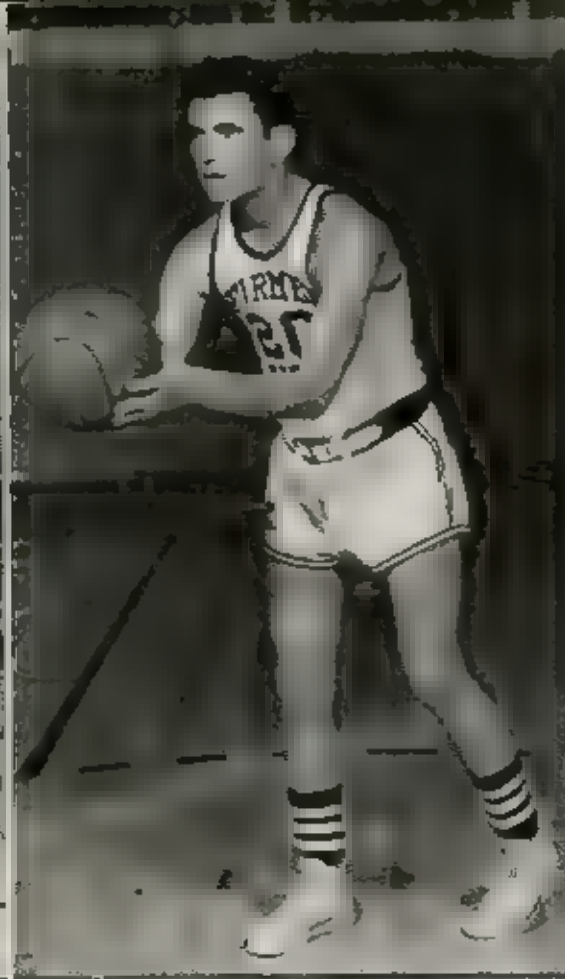




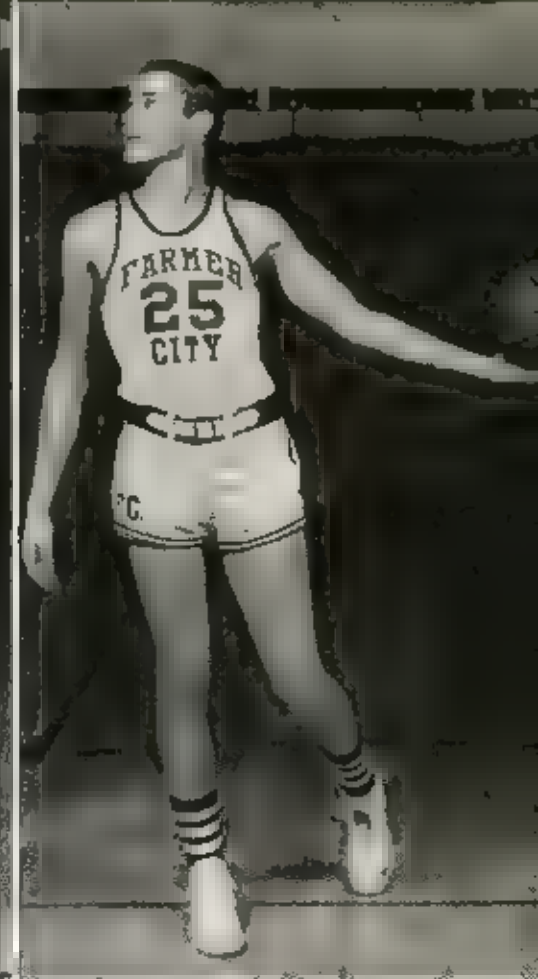
Delmar  
Thom



Dick  
Oakley



Don  
Marvin



Weldon  
Fogal

Jan. 26 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 51  
Unity ..... 66

Jan. 29 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 68  
Deland-Weldon ..... 58

Feb. 2 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 49  
Gibson City ..... 51

Feb. 5 *There*  
Farmer City .. ..... 32  
Fisher ..... 35

Feb. 9 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 54  
Saybrook .... 62

Feb. 12 *Here*  
Farmer City ..... 68  
Mansfield ..... 42

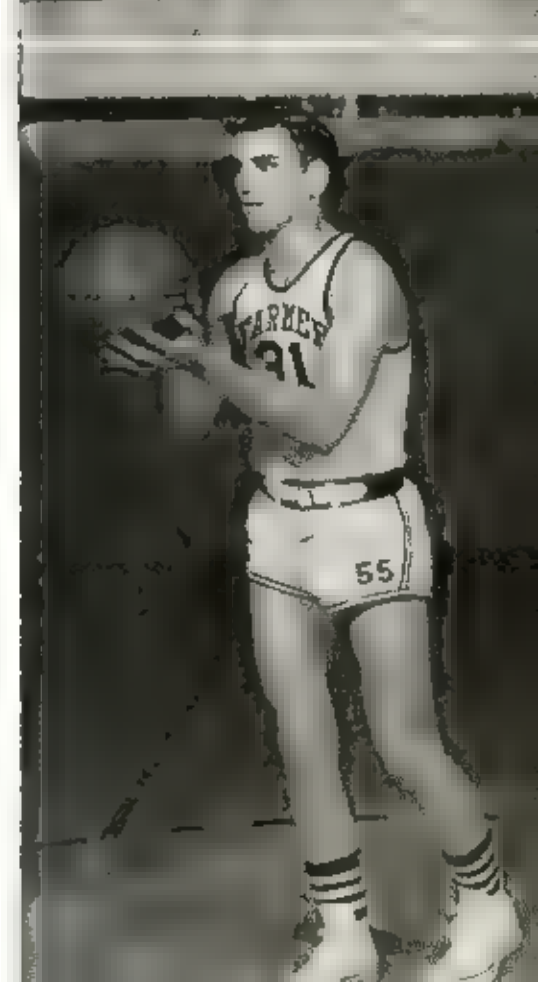
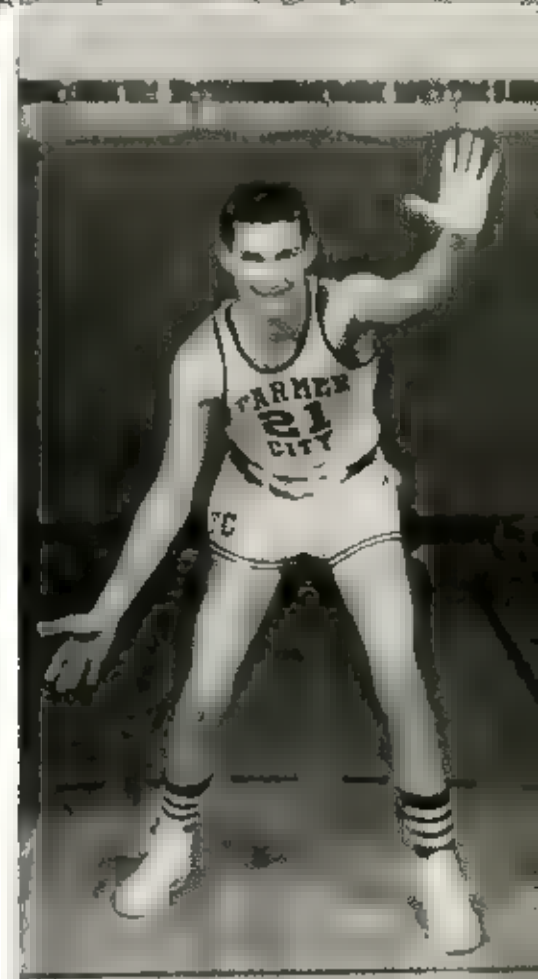
Feb. 16 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 66  
Mahomet ..... 46

Feb. 23 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 56  
Trinity ..... 71

Feb. 25 *There*  
Farmer City ..... 45  
LeRoy ..... 44



Jerry  
Rau



Francis  
Harder

# FRESHMAN - SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL TEAM



Row 1, left to right: Don Ester, Skip Stagen, Lyndon Short, Don Stimler, Mike Trenkle, Tom Bealor  
Row 2 Mr. Leo Bray, Melvin Reynolds, Dick Reynolds, John Thurber, Buddy Hooser, John West, Mr. Jerry Slack.

## FRESHMAN - SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 1953

September 22	There	Rantoul	21	Farmer City	7
September 28	Here	Farmer City	0	Octavia	0
October 1	There	Farmer City	35	Thornburn	0
October 15	Here	Farmer City	21	Paxton	0
October 19	Here	Clinton	14	Farmer City	0
October 29	Here	Clinton Jr. High	18	Farmer City	7
November 3	Here	Farmer City	19	Gibson City	0

## FRESHMAN - SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov. 20	Here	Jan. 12	Here	Feb. 2	Here
Farmer City	39	Farmer City	51	Farmer City	45
Maroa	27	Mahomet	18	Gibson City	29
Nov. 24	Here	Jan. 15	There	Feb. 5	There
Farmer City	43	Farmer City	30	Farmer City	26
LeRoy	20	Rantoul	47	Fisher	37
Dec. 4	Here	Jan. 19	Here	Feb. 9	There
Farmer City	43	Farmer City	45	Farmer City	46
Octavia	47	Bement	40	Saybrook-Arrowsmith	42
Dec. 11	There	Jan. 22	There	Feb. 12	Here
Farmer City	50	Farmer City	54	Farmer City	42
Deland-Weldon	26	Mansfield	31	Mansfield	20
Dec. 16	Here	Jan. 25	Here	Feb. 16	There
Farmer City	52	Farmer City	50	Farmer City	46
Fisher	53	Champaign	35	Mahomet	22
Jan. 5	There	Jan. 26	There	Feb. 23	There
Farmer City	36	Farmer City	44	Farmer City	38
Argenta	31	Unity	37	Trinity	52
Jan. 8	Here	Jan. 29	Here	Feb. 25	There
Farmer City	22	Farmer City	54	Farmer City	49
Fisher	44	Deland-Weldon	37	LeRoy	45



# CHEERLEADERS

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*Left to Right: Carolyn Hieronymus, Sylvia Savage, Joan Leemon.*



*Left to Right: Carolyn Curtis, Linda Gibbs, Mary Seifert, Betty Thomas, Anne Frederickson.*

# JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

*... little men on a big court*

## HEAVYWEIGHT TEAM



Row 1, left to right: Steve McCord, Phil West, Curtis Rau, Jim Wright, David Ashworth, Leslie Simpson.  
Row 2: Leroy Ester, Larry Roberts, Lynn Lohmeyer, Jerry Milton, Bill Hammer, Roger Roberson, Kenneth Spurling, Larry Young, Jim Ratliff, David Isaac, Steve Barnett, Charles Brannock, Joe Walsh, Eddie Joe Warren, Don Propeck, Mr. Gerald Cavanaugh.

## LIGHTWEIGHT TEAM



Row 1, left to right: Lynn Franklin, Jimmy Lamb, Ronnie Hooser, Howard Swallow, Allen Olson, Gary Hamblen, Don Hamilton, David Moore.  
Row 2: Leslie Simpson, Leslie Franklin, Jerry Hoffman, Curtis Maxwell, Mr. Gerald Cavanaugh, Jim Parr, Jack Anderson, Donnie Kelley



## Junior High Cheerleaders



Left to Right: Deanna Durbin, Bonnie Duff, Linda Hieronymus, Audrey Lamb.

### JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

#### HEAVYWEIGHTS

November 23	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	24	Saybrook - Arrowsmith ...	38
December 4	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	23	Deland - Weldon. ....	36
December 7	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	41	Bellflower .....	27
December 11	..... There ...	Farmer City .....	20	Gibson City .....	27
December 14	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	27	Urbana Junior High .....	31
January 8	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	28	LeRoy .....	40
January 15	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	19	Clinton .....	15
January 18	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	21	Urbana Junior High .....	41
January 22	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	21	Bellflower .....	22
January 25	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	24	Saybrook - Arrowsmith ..	48
January 29	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	49	West Community (LeRoy)	24
February 13	..... Tournament	Farmer City .....	21	Saybrook - Arrowsmith ..	42
February 16	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	36	LeRoy .....	40

#### LIGHTWEIGHTS

November 23	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	24	Saybrook - Arrowsmith ..	25
December 4	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	17	Deland - Weldon .....	27
December 7	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	22	Bellflower .....	11
December 11	..... There ...	Farmer City .....	18	Gibson City .....	23
December 14	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	19	Urbana Junior High .....	38
January 8	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	5	LeRoy .....	32
January 15	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	24	Clinton .....	32
January 18	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	25	Urbana Junior High .....	37
January 22	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	23	Bellflower .....	22
January 25	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	26	Saybrook - Arrowsmith ..	28
January 29	..... There .....	Farmer City .....	31	West Community (LeRoy)	20
February 6	..... Tournament	Farmer City .....	22	Millford .....	9
February 6	..... Tournament	Farmer City .....	21	Stockland .....	27
February 16	..... Here .....	Farmer City .....	25	LeRoy .....	22

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Best of  
luck to a  
swell kid.  
Joyce Hendren

Good Luck  
you will  
see you next  
year.  
Kathy

Good Luck!

Good Luck to  
you always  
Rebecca



